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THE NEWS CONDENSED.

Stock market strong.

Cash wheat, No. 2 red, $1.06¼; cash corn, No. 2 mixed, 36⅝c.; cash cotton, 6 3-16c.

CONGRESS.—The Capitol in Washington was filled with an eager, expectant crowd yesterday long before either chamber convened. In the House Mr. Bailey made a speech asking for more light on the Cuban situation. The galleries applauded to such an extent that Speaker Reed threatened to have them cleared. The Fortification bill, giving the President the right to erect forts on territory with the consent of the owners, was passed. In the Senate Messrs. Perkins, Mantle, Rawlins, and others made strong speeches favoring armed intervention. Mr. Perkins showed how Spain was directly responsible for the loss of the Maine, and Mr. Rawlins spoke for immediate and armed action on the part of the Government.—Page 3.

FOREIGN.—Great Britain has made arrangements with China to take over Wei-Hai-Wei when it is evacuated by Japan. William Redmond in the House of Commons denounced the sentence of a sailor in the British Navy who had been punished for wearing the shamrock on St. Patrick's Day. Mr. Redmond was called to order and forced to withdraw.—Page 7.

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A resolution warmly commending President McKinley's course in the Spanish crisis was adopted by the Retail Grocers' Union last night.

The crew of the battleship Texas were busy yesterday stripping the vessel for action. It is expected that she will leave the navy yard to-day. Her destination is kept secret.

At the annual meeting of the Merchants and Manufacturers' Board of Trade yesterday two opposing resolutions on the Spanish crisis were offered and were referred to a committee for report to-morrow.

On orders from Washington the Naval Inspection Board in this city yesterday made arrangements to purchase ten steamships for auxiliary cruisers. They selected El Sud, El Norte, El Sol, El Rio, the Venezuela, the Caracas, the Kansas City, the Princess Anne, the Yorktown, and the Jamestown. The Saturn, the Lebanor, and the Irrawaddy were chosen for colliers.

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The stock market opened with a strong upward movement and a wild scramble of shorts to cover. Reaction followed, and then the course of the market was mercurial on conflicting reports from Washington and Europe.

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It was stated yesterday the real reason that Clara Barton returned to this country from Cuba was in response to a summons from the Government. She was consulted regarding arrangements for the work of the Red Cross Society in event of war.

Advices received state that Capt. Gen. Blanco and the Autonomist Government will soon declare an armistice without consulting the insurgents. Horatio Rubens says this is a tacit admission on the part of the Spaniards that they are beaten. He also makes comment on Dr. Klopsch's story to President McKinley.

In a letter to James C. Holden, President of the National Safe Deposit Company, from a business man in Havana, the merchant says Spain, after a show of resistance, will peaceably leave the island. He says that English syndicates are investing heavily in cigar factories and land, and hopes that Americans will not allow good opportunities to slip away.

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Hundreds of filled-out enlistment blanks and many letters of approval were received yesterday at National Volunteer Reserve Headquarters.

The sale of Frederick Gebhard's horses at the American Horse Exchange caused much disgust among prospective bidders because the best ones of the lot to be offered were withdrawn.

H. S. Rubens protested vigorously yesterday against an alleged plan for the United States to seize Cuba and hold it for the expenses of war with Spain, and to pay an indemnity for the Maine.

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James Moffatt was re-elected Chairman of the Kings County Democratic Committee last night.

Two halos appeared about the moon last night and were watched by thousands of people in the streets.

The survey under the Nicaragua Canal Commission has determined on the feasibility of the Ochoa dam.

The Canal Commission began its actual work of investigation at Albany yesterday by examining State Engineer and Surveyor Adams.

Five thousand carpenters struck in Chicago for the enforcement of their new wage scale, and many of the contractors agreed to their terms. Most of the men are expected to go back to work on Wednesday.

At a public meeting in Plymouth Church last night addresses were made by Dr. Lyman Abbott, Prof. Walter S. Perry, who has just returned from Spain; W. W. Howard, who has just returned from Cuba, and Thomas G. Shearman. All favored continued efforts for a peaceful settlement of the trouble with Spain.

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Figures compiled yesterday showed that the imports at this port last month were $1,000,000 greater than in March, 1897.

Andrew Freedman was appointed receiver of the Lincoln Fire Insurance Company by Justice Bischoff of the Supreme Court.

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The Rev. Dr. E. L. Stoddard of Jersey City has decided not to have lilies in his church on Easter Sunday, because he thinks they injure the health of the congregation.

Detective Eckholdt, while arresting a man for fighting at Ridgewood, Borough of Queens, was shot in the finger; but he did not let his prisoner escape.

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The tug Tea Rose and the ferryboat Princeton of the Pennsylvania Road were in collision. The tug tore a hole in the men's cabin, and two men were slightly injured.

H. Edward Merritt, a druggist of Brooklyn, committed suicide by inhaling gas. He left a letter saying he had been robbed of all he possessed by those whom he had trusted.

The Coroner's Physician, Dr. Williams, decided yesterday that Mrs. Kindleberger of Washington, who died here on Sunday evening, was not suffering from ptomaine poisoning.

Lieut. Col. Edward Duffy was elected Colonel of the Sixty-ninth Regiment last night. The announcement of the result was received with cheers for Major Lynch, Duffy's opponent, and hisses for Col. Duffy, from the crowd of members of the regiment in the armory.

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The Rev. Dr. Charles A. Briggs of Union Theological Seminary is to be ordained as a Deacon in the Protestant Episcopal Church.

The General Committee on Charter Day Celebration decided last night to postpone the celebration indefinitely owing to the Spanish crisis.

Mrs. Ballington Booth made her first appearance since her illness at the anniversary gathering of the Volunteers of America at Carnegie Hall. She was received with great enthusiasm.

Ex-Mayor Strong and his associates in the last city administration were not worried yesterday by Richard Croker's suggestion that they might be indicted for exceeding the city's debt limit.

A new indictment was found against Dr. W. W. Cleaveland on Thursday last and was filed in place of the first one. It was drawn to supply important omissions discovered in the original one.

S. F. Beach, Jr., the lawyer whose marital troubles have given him much notoriety, and who announced that he would sail from New York on Feb. 15, really sailed from Philadelphia and is in London.

[illegible], a minor member of the [illegible] involved in the Brooklyn city [illegible] pleaded guilty yesterday [illegible] to [illegible] years in State prison.

says that he marked the bills "O. K." only when told to do so by his superiors.

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WARSHIPS TO CONCENTRATE.

Under Orders to Rendezvous at Key West and Hampton Roads—The Mosquito Fleet.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—A number of very important orders were issued to the various divisions of the navy to-day. These orders show that there is being made a general concentration of warships at the two rendezvous of Hampton Roads and Key West. Almost every hour each of these fleets is strengthened by the addition of another vessel, from a formidable battleship down to a mosquito from the insectivorous fleet that has been forming in the harbor of New York. Revenue cutters are being transformed into torpedo boat destroyers and sent to one or the other of these stations. Yachts are steaming hither to act as pickets, scouts, messengers, or as torpedo boat guards for the heavier ships, and now colliers and hospitals are going to swell the number and the efficiency of the squadrons in their cruises in Cuban and Spanish waters.

The first division of the mosquito fleet that has been fitted out in New York Harbor will sail within a few days for Key West. Commander Eller, who has been assigned to the command of this little fleet, will, it is thought, command the division that goes to Key West. The other division will start for Hampton Roads, to join the flying squadron, the latter part of the week.

The little torpedo boat Somers has arrived at Weymouth, England, having crossed the German ocean in fairly good time, and will immediately steam for the coast of Ireland, and thence, after coaling as heavily as possible, turn her prow toward the nearest point of the American coast, and start on her long ordeal of sea travel. The officials are watching her progress as carefully as a General watches the movement of a storming column across the zone of fire. Her trip is an experiment, as she will try to make the nearest coast, a distance of 2,400 miles, with her own supply of coal. She will hardly reach this side before April 18 or 20.

The Albany, formerly the Abrouall, is not nearing completion as fast as the navy officials wish. It was learned to-day that she will not be ready for several weeks yet, and it is probable that she may not figure in the war if it is opened within the next three weeks.

The Oregon arrived at Callao yesterday, and is now coaling preparatory to her voyage to Valparaiso. Orders were sent to her commander to-day to look out for Spanish ships, as it was not unlikely that war might break out before the ship could again hear from the department. It is not probable that the Oregon will take part in the first movements of the war, as she will hardly get this side of the Horn before hostilities, if they are to commence at all, will begin in Atlantic waters.

The board appointed to look into the matter of auxiliary ships for use by the navy has filed its report. It goes very fully into detail, giving a list of several hundred vessels in the Eastern ports that would be available in the event of war. The ships mentioned range from tugs and yachts up to ocean greyhounds. Commodore Hichborn, Chief of the Bureau of Construction, will review it and report on the serviceableness of the vessels.

MAINE WRECK ABANDONED.

The United States Flag Taken Down and the Captain's Pennant Torn in Two.

HAVANA, April 4.—Soon after sundown to-night the tattered United States flag was taken from the gaff of the Maine wreck, where it has floated since Feb. 17, two days after the explosion. It was taken down by an officer and a boat's crew from the Fern, to which vessel it belongs. All the colors the Maine had left was the Captain's pennant, and this was torn in two.

The wrecking tugs Underwriter and Merritt and the barges Chief and Sharp left for American waters to-day. The wreck of the Maine now rears itself, a jagged mass of steel, iron, and twisted plate, with a slanting mainmast, in the middle of the harbor, alone.

Occasionally a Spanish patrol boat touches there or a passing sailboat or a steamer goes close under the poop, but the loneliness of the remnants of the gallant ship is a most affecting feature. One's sadness is intensified when one remembers the scores of brave fellows still entangled in the wreckage of what was once their home, but is now covered by the cloudy waters of a foreign harbor.

May Be the Body of a Maine Victim.

The body of Assistant Engineer Darwin R. Merritt, who was killed on the Maine, was supposed to be contained in a hermetically sealed metal casket which arrived in the City of Washington from Havana last evening addressed to the Commandant of the New York Navy Yard. Whether it was the body of Assistant Engineer Merritt could not be definitely learned last night. He lived in Iowa.

SUPPOSED SPY AT FORT MONROE.

Sentries Ordered to Shoot Prowling Strangers at Night.

FORT MONROE, Va., April 4.—There is a good deal of excitement here over the alleged discovery of the presence of a Spanish spy. Several nights ago the sentry at Fort Monroe, whose post was nearest the newly arranged esplanade for rapid-fire and disappearing guns, noticed a man skulking along the grassy side of the slope. He challenged, but received no answer. The next night the same thing occurred, and the sentry challenged, and then fired.

Blank cartridges were in use, but since the incident Capt. Hoskins of the fort is authority for the statement that the guard is armed with ball cartridge and with orders to shoot. While the sentries at the fort can shoot a stranger intruding, there is no law in force by which at present he can be apprehended.

Col. Frank, in command of Fort Monroe, said to-night that a day guard as well as a night guard was being preserved about the new gun emplacements, and strangers would not be given information.

When Commodore Schley was at the Hotel Chamberlin, a man of foreign appearance watched him closely. Friends of Commodore and Mrs. Schley noticed the man several times. He is registered at the hotel, but has avoided all the guests.

GOV. VOORHEES'S EARNEST WORDS.

The Union League Club of Jersey City gave a dinner last night to Gov. Foster M. Voorhees. Among the guests was the aged father of the Governor, Nathaniel W. Voorhees of Clinton, N. J. Flavel McGee presided and made a brief speech of welcome. The toasts and those who responded to them were: "Is New Jersey a Republican State, and if So, Why?" Gov. Voorhees; "The Future of the Republican Party," James S. Erwin, who took the place of Senator Johnson; "Municipal Corruption—Does It Exist, and if So, What is the Remedy?" Charles W. Parker; "The Country Prosperous under Republican Rule," John A. Walker.

Gov. Voorhees in the course of his speech said that the people of New Jersey were in perfect sympathy and accord with the magnificent statesman who controlled at present our National destinies. New Jersey was for war if war was necessary. In Washington there was a man in whom New Jersey had the most profound confidence. The State was proud that upon no one in this hour of trial the President leaned more heavily than on the Vice President of the United States. Then, too, as Jerseymen they were all proud that on all questions of law the President relied upon another citizen of this State, Attorney General Griggs. The Governor said that in this hour of supreme peril when the eyes of the world were upon us he felt assured the country

EUROPE TALKS MEDIATION

Exchange of Notes Begun Between the Powers Concerning the Spanish-American Crisis.

UNITED STATES IS UNBENDING

Cabinet Officers Say This Country Will Not Listen to Any Terms That Do Not Include the Independence of Cuba.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—It has just been learned here definitely that an exchange of notes between the great powers of Europe has begun concerning mediation on the Spanish-American question.

Notwithstanding the many reports of European mediation they assumed their first tangible form this afternoon, when at least two of the foreign establishments in Washington received official information that an exchange of notes between the great powers was now in progress with a view to arriving at a basis on which they could make a joint proposal for mediation. It is evident that the exchange has not yet been productive of a common understanding, as the Ambassadors and Ministers at Washington have not yet received instructions to initiate the movement.

Their only information thus far is that the notes are passing by telegraph between the capitals of Europe. It had been understood that France and Austria were most active in bringing about this movement, and that Great Britain had held aloof from it, but it developed to-day that the British Government was also taking part in the exchange, and that in case of concerted action by the powers Great Britain probably would act with the others. What common grounds the powers are seeking to reach can only be conjectured.

Members of Mr. McKinley's Cabinet and his friends in Congress say that any material or moral powers which it is purposed to exercise in the line of mediation may as well be confined to efforts to influence Spain, for this Government will insist on the independence of Cuba as an ultimate sine qua non, unless the insurgents themselves should consent to less, and this they have flatly refused to do.

The Spanish Government seems to be hopeful of results from this movement, and this inspired additional ground for the belief that it will not be regarded with favor by the United States. The diplomats, however, think that if a common understanding was reached by the great powers of Europe, such suggestions as these combined powers might make could not be lightly set aside. The general view of the diplomats is that the movement is not so much one toward reconciling the United States and Spain as it is to preserve the peace of the world by combined action. Spain's policy in this matter is one of urging on the European powers that if Cuba was free from Spanish sovereignty the next move under the Monroe doctrine would be to bring an end of European control over other West Indian possessions.

Great Britain, France, and Denmark have interests in that locality. In other quarters it was stated that the influence of the powers was more likely to be exerted on Spain in urging her to the largest possible measure of concession.

Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British Ambassador, made a short call on Judge Day to-day. It is understood, however, that it did not relate to the Cuban question, as the Ambassador has not received instructions concerning mediation or any course of action.

M. Thebeau, First Secretary of the French Embassy, also called at the State Department, and had a talk with Judge Day on subjects other than the Cuban question.

FRANCE AND MEDIATION.

Ready to Act Promptly if a Peaceful Solution Appears at an End.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The French Ambassador at Washington, M. Cambon, has received no instructions to act for Spain in the event of the withdrawal of the Spanish Minister, Señor Polo y Bernabé. This statement is authoritative, after inquiry at the French Embassy and the Spanish Legation. The story originated in London, and stated that Premier Hanotaux had given definite instructions to the French Ambassador at Washington to act temporarily as the diplomatic representative of Spain as soon as her own diplomatic official withdrawn.

Neither has the French Government determined to take the initiative in mediation, although it is being kept constantly and fully advised and is in a position to act promptly in case it becomes apparent that all chance of a peaceful solution is at an end. The Spanish Minister, it is learned, is making all arrangements to leave the United States should his position become untenable, and has notified a local music house to call for his piano and organ.

PARIS, April 4.—A semi-official denial has been issued of the report that M. Jules Cambon, French Ambassador to the United States, has intimated to the American Government that France would not intervene unless asked to do so by America. The denial is significant in view of the semi-official announcement that the powers are continuing their earnest efforts to find a common ground upon which they could jointly offer mediation between the United States and Spain.

MR. EUSTIS ON M. HANOTAUX.

The ex-Ambassador Says that No European Power Will Intermeddle.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—J. B. Eustis, former United States Ambassador to France, was asked his opinion with reference to M. Hanotaux's recent declaration in the French Chamber of Deputies touching the Spanish-Cuban question.

"I have no doubt," said Mr. Eustis, "that the declaration correctly represents the opinion of M. Hanotaux. Since this Spanish-Cuban question has become serious the attitude of the French Government has become one of extreme delicacy. Having frequently discussed the question with M. Hanotaux, I have always found that his attitude as regards the Spanish and the American Governments was exceedingly proper. The French aristocracy and the Catholic party in France naturally strongly sympathize with the Spanish Government as against the United States, but they have no voice in the French Government to-day, and there is no doubt that the French Government would be absolutely neutral in case of a war between Spain and the United States.

"M. Hanotaux does not sympathize with either of those parties, and they have not the slightest influence with him. He is a man of remarkable intelligence, an admirably equipped diplomat, always cool, knowing when to be firm or conciliatory, and the sincere admirer of our people and our institutions. He is equally friendly to the Spanish Government and to our Government.

"The fact is, that if our Government intends to take any decisive action which would lead to hostilities, it can discard any apprehension that any European power would take any active part against our Government. Alliances in European politics have become so fashionable that they become a most important factor in settling any European question, but with us the case is different. No European power could have any possible interest in intermeddling in a question of peace or war between Spain and the United States."

ENGLAND ANXIOUS FOR PEACE.

Mr. Balfour Says Anything England Can Do Will Be Done.

LONDON, April 4.—Replying to Mr. John [illegible] of Montrose, who asked whether the Government could furnish any information in regard to the situation of affairs between Spain and the United States, Mr. A. J. Balfour, the Acting Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, said:

"I do not know that I can say more than the question is causing anxiety at every capital. On both sides of the Atlantic there is a very strong desire upon the part of the Governments concerned to preserve peace, and anything we can do will be done. I do not think anything more can be advantageously said at the present moment."

THE SPANISH SITUATION.

Financial Circles at Madrid Take a Rosy View of It and Prices Advance.

MADRID, April 4.—No further development in the political situation is yet reported, but the feeling of relief experienced is strongly reflected in financial circles, and was marked by a rise in prices on the Stock Exchange.

The Papal Nuncio had an audience with the Queen Regent this morning.

LONDON, April 5.—The Madrid Bourse takes a rosy view of the situation. Spanish 4s have advanced 4 points; Cuban bonds, 1886, 1 point, and 1890, a half point, with other securities in proportion.

Owing to the strict censorship dispatches are coming very irregularly from Madrid. Some that were filed there Sunday evening, explaining the character and conditions of the Papal mediation, have not yet been received.

Late to-night was received the following, filed at Madrid at 6:30 last evening:

"Up to 5 o'clock this (Monday) afternoon no reply from President McKinley had been communicated to the Spanish Government. No armistice has yet been proclaimed. It is understood that all Spain is waiting for is an assurance of the withdrawal of the American warships after Spain grants—" (Stricken out by the censor.)

A special dispatch from Madrid says that Premier Sagasta yesterday expressed the hope that "peaceful considerations would influence the American politicians," declaring that the Pope's mediation is "practically the last chance of averting war."

The Madrid correspondent of The Standard, telegraphing Monday night, says:

"Very conflicting impressions prevail concerning the new stage of the crisis. It is generally taken for granted that the Pope must have consulted with and obtained the assent of President McKinley, subject to certain conditions on the part of the latter, before he volunteered to be mediator between Spain and America. It is also assumed that the Spanish Government assented to his mediation on the understanding that it would imply no surrender of rights or territory.

"The Spanish Government is credited with a disposition to consent to a suspension of hostilities in Cuba if the Pope proposes it in holy week. The armistice would last a month, at least, with an offer of complete amnesty to all who adhered to the new autonomous regime.

"The unknown factor in the situation is how the rebel chiefs will welcome an armistice with conditions such as may be imposed, and even how the Papal advice can be conveyed to them. The general impression here is that all further steps for the pacification of the island or for an understanding with the insurgents ought to be, and must be, conducted by the Cuban insular Government, which can undertake much that the Imperial Government cannot do without compromising its own position, if not higher interests in Spain.

"Most Spanish statesmen share the opinion of military men and of the Cuban representatives, who question the expediency of a prolonged armistice on financial considerations and because they are not sure that the contact of loyal Cubans with the disaffected and the respite granted to rebels in arms, with free communication with America, would really promote a peaceful settlement of the Cuban question in harmony with the interests of Spanish rule.

"Financial circles heartily welcomed the mediation of the Pope as affording a prospect at least of some postponement of the conflict, even if not of an immediate satisfactory settlement. Funds and securities rose and exchanges were firm. The keenest curiosity is felt to learn how the Pope's mediation will be received in America."

SPANISH IDEAS OF THE CRISIS.

An "Eminent Spaniard" in Paris Says European Powers Cannot Complain of Our Filibustering.

LONDON, April 5.—The Paris correspondent of The Times gives a conversation he has had with an "eminent Spaniard," which is interesting as a record of Spanish ideas in the crisis. The "eminent Spaniard" is said to have spoken with some bitterness, expressing the belief that "nowadays it is hopeless for any weak State to expect help from Europe, and, therefore, Spain must rely on herself alone."

He said: "Moreover, European intervention in the eyes of the American people would have no significance unless it were armed, and that will never occur, for all these powers, if once under arms, would feel mutual distrust and watch one another instead of joining forces for a common result.

"The only consideration which affects the United States is their probable chance of success. They will take no heed of anything abroad. Europeans always fancy that the intervention of Emperor William would have some effect, and that a dispatch from him to the President of the United States would somehow modify Mr. McKinley's decision. But this is a mistake. The Americans would like to have a dispatch from Emperor William merely to have the pleasure of refusing what he asks, and thus marking the profound disdain they profess for the powers of old Europe.

"How could Europe do anything against the United States? For forty-five years the principle of filibustering has been in vogue throughout Europe, and the whole policy of Europe is based upon it. By what right should Europe reproach the United States for doing what she herself has been doing constantly for nearly half a century?

"I repeat that not on Europe should we count, but on ourselves, on God, and our right. There is still in Spain plenty of good gold and of good blood, and we shall spare neither. We shall send all the soldiers we can to America. If the Americans attempt it they will not vanquish the 250,000 men which is the number we shall shortly have in Cuba.

"We shall deal American trade more rapid and telling blows than America will ever deal us; for, if we cannot capture vessels, we can wreck them. If we succumb the Americans will soon seise other European possessions.

"I am told that the Pope is intervening. The Pope remembers the ironical triumph which Prince Bismarck secured for him over the Caroline Islands; but this time he will find the Americans madder with pride and scorn of others than all the nations of Europe. They will not heed him more than others; and nothing will make them hesitate but the necessity of paying for premeditated conquest by mountains of ruins and torrents of blood."

SPANISH FOURS RALLY.

LONDON, April 4.—The stock market opened better, with American securities showing an average of two points above the New York parity. Spanish fours were strong, opening at 49½ and advancing to 50⅝, a net gain of 3⅝ from Saturday's closing price. They closed at 51, a net gain of 3⅜ from Saturday.

PARIS, April 4.—Spanish fours were quoted on the Bourse at the opening at 51⅝, after which they fluctuated, and at 1 P. M. were quoted at 50 15-16. They closed at 52 15-16, against 49⅜ on Saturday.

BARCELONA, April 4.—Spanish fours were quoted here to-day at 70.40.

The Osado Sails from Queenstown.

QUEENSTOWN, April 4.—The Spanish torpedo boat destroyer Osado sailed for Ferrol, Spain, this morning. The Audaz, sister boat of the Osado, which was damaged considerably, necessitating her putting into Waterford, from whence she was towed here by the Osado, went into dry dock this

BOUGHT MINES FOR HAVANA

Several Secured in London by Spain Were Laid in the Cuban Harbor, It Is Asserted.

SPECIALLY CONSTRUCTED WIRE

Engineer Who Made the Mines Says They Could Not Explode Accidentally, and that He Could Identify a Piece of the Cable.

LONDON, April 4.—Details have been obtained of the manufacture of submarine mines in London for Spain, which was first brought to the attention of the United States Embassy and cabled to America on March 5. A man whose cards described him as being an electrical engineer, and whose name was forwarded at the time to Washington, then said he sold to Spanish officers in London, several years ago, a large number of mines, eight or ten of which were placed in Havana Harbor.

He said they were made in a special way, were numbered, and had a specially constructed cable, which he could identify if the smallest piece was produced, and he added that some of the mines were so fixed that they could be fired from a fort, while two of them had bulbs so arranged that they would explode upon a vessel coming in contact with them. The man added, however, that he did not believe the bulbs would be used in water as shallow as that of Havana Harbor. Finally, the man exhibited plans of one of these mines, which, he said, was most likely to produce the effect described as causing the wreck of the Maine. It was numbered 2, and was constructed to contain 500 pounds of guncotton.

Lieut. Commander J. C. Colwell, the United States Naval Attaché, has since investigated the matter, and has made a report on the subject to the United States Government. The facts learned strongly tend to show that Havana Harbor was mined, and they unquestionably prove that Spain purchased mines for that purpose. The firm of Lattimer, Rhodes & Clark, electrical engineers, during 1887-8 filled a large order for Spain of a lot of mines, in which were used fourteen and a half tons of guncotton. The work was done under the surveillance of Gen. Fernandez and Capt. Bustamento. The latter was then the head of the Spanish Torpedo School. By the order of these officers the mines were divided into four consignments—for Havana, Ferrol, Cadiz, and Cartagena. The mines were manufactured under the direction of J. P. Gibbons, after Gibbons's patents, which are described in Siemen's book on torpedoes and mines.

Gibbons, from whom the information is obtained, and who furnished Lieut. Commander Colwell with a written statement of the above facts and outlined his theory of the explosion which wrecked the Maine, was then employed by the firm as Superintendent of the torpedo department. He says also that a similar lot of torpedoes was manufactured for Spain in 1896.

The manager of the Westminster Engineering Company, which is the successor of the aforementioned firm, and with which Gibbons is connected, confirms the latter's statement as to the manufacture of mines for Spain. Gibbons, who is a former Sergeant of Engineers and a Government Inspector of Torpedoes, believes the Maine's first explosion was caused by what is technically called a ground mine, containing 500 pounds of guncotton, several of which were manufactured for Spain.

He has experimented largely with these mines at Portsmouth, and says that, once laid, they retain their properties for fifty years. In addition, Gibbons asserts that it is absolutely impossible for them to explode accidentally, as the electric currents for their explosion are formed only by the manipulation of a complicated keyboard especially devised to prevent accidents. Three keys are necessary, which are always kept in the possession of different officers, and even if an outsider obtained possession of them, it would be impossible to manipulate the keyboard without instructions.

WAR FAVORED IN HAVANA.

Spaniards Are Enlisting in Confidence of Victory—Money Drawn from the Bank of Spain.

HAVANA, April 4.—There is great enthusiasm here among the Spaniards, and thousands of them are enlisting in the battalions of volunteers. The sentiments of the immense majority are in favor of war. These are awaiting anxiously the conclusion of the diplomatic efforts, and seem to have confidence that Spain will triumph over the United States. The Spaniards generally say they prefer to fight with a great nation than with a smaller one, as they would rather "die as heroes than live as cowards." They add that Spain has always had a special Providence in great conflicts, and they have confidence that Providence will not abandon Spain in her "defense of justice and her rights."

But in spite of this seemingly brave showing many depositors have already withdrawn their money from the Bank of Spain. But there is no panic and business is going on about as usual. It is said that a majority of the business men have for a long time past had their funds deposited in their own houses and safes.

The Treasury has advanced $800,000 in gold to the Bank of Spain in order to provide for eventualities.

In an editorial, La Lucha presents a long extract from a report of A. B. Caula, a naval expert, in which it is set forth at length that the United States Navy has only two formidable vessels and that, therefore, "Spain need not fear the fantastic superiority of the United States fleet."

Spanish bank notes rose four points today, which is regarded here as a good sign for peace.

Advices received here from Matanzas say that ten guns have arrived there from Havana, to be mounted on the fortifications at the former place.

NO "REPLY" SENT TO SPAIN.

Report from Madrid that It Had Been Communicated to the Madrid Government Officially Denied.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—President McKinley's attention was directed to-night to a cablegram from Madrid announcing that the "reply" of the United States Government had been communicated to the Spanish Government, but that its contents had not been made public and no action had been taken upon it.

An official announcement was authorized that negotiations with Spain have not been resumed.

BRITISH INTEREST IN A WAR.

Question in the Commons in Regard to the Use of Privateers.

LONDON, April 4.—Replying in the House of Commons to-day to Rear Admiral Lord Charles Beresford, Member for York, Mr. A. J. Balfour, the Government leader, and Acting Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, said the question as to whether the United States, not being a signatory of the Declaration of Paris, would in the event of war with Spain be bound by its provisions, raises an important point in international law, on which a question might advantageously be addressed to the Attorney General.

Most complete trade returns since the year [illegible] have just been issued to all [illegible]

WARNING SENT TO CONSULS.

Our Representatives Instructed to be Ready to Quit Spanish Territory at Short Notice.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The Government has taken another preliminary step toward hostilities. It has to-day advised all its Consular representatives to be ready to leave Spain and the Spanish possessions at short notice.

Minister Woodford himself was notified several days ago that it might be necessary for him to leave Madrid at any moment, and he and the rest of the American Legation are ready to leave that capital at any time. It is believed that Minister Woodford has arranged to place American interests in the hands of the British Legation in the event of war. His safe conduct to the Spanish frontier is, of course, guaranteed by the Spanish Government.

The notice sent out to-day was much broader in its scope. It is said to have embraced all the Consuls and Consular officials in Spain itself, and in all of the Spanish possessions. It advises these officials of the delicate and critical nature of the relations between the two countries, and notifies them that their recall may be sent any moment. They are expected, therefore, to be ready to start for this country the moment they receive information that hostilities have begun.

Many of the commercial representatives of this country in Spanish territory are Spanish subjects, as is usual with all countries having representatives at small posts where the salary or fees are not sufficient to support a Consul, and the position is given to a native or other resident who can look after the interests of the country that appoints him without loss of time from his own affairs. These officials will not be affected, save to lose their not very lucrative positions as our Consular or commercial agents.

The strained relations between the two countries have made the members of the Spanish Legation here very uneasy also. It is understood that Señor Polo y Bernabé has been advised that he may be recalled at any time, and to be prepared for a sudden departure.

Such notices are generally sent to the representatives abroad of all countries whenever the crisis seems to foreshadow war, but the fact that the United States waited so long to give such advice to its representatives is taken as very significant of the attitude of the Administration. It refused to act until forced to do so by the very pressure of the situation. That it has done so at this late hour is thought to be of itself a positive sign of the near approach of hostilities.

TWO VESSELS SENT TO HAVANA.

KEY WEST, Fla., April 4.—Acting under orders from Washington, Capt. Sampson, commander of the United States fleet in these waters, sent the survey boat Bache to-day from the Tortugas to Havana. Her sailing orders were dispatched late this afternoon over the new cable, and an hour later the Bache was on her way to Cuba.

It is assumed here that she goes to afford a mode of safe egress for American citizens should a riot occur in Havana or war be declared. The survey boat Blake, now in this harbor, was also ordered to proceed to Havana, but these instructions were countermanded before she got away. The Fern is still at Havana, but her accommodations are very limited.

The Mangrove, which was lying at the dock here, received unexpected orders to proceed to Havana to-night and sailed immediately. The usual exciting rumors regarding trouble in Havana ran riot after her departure.

HAVANA, April 4.—The Mangrove and the Bache are expected here to-morrow, to take to Key West such Americans as desire to go, and also such others as can show good reasons for leaving. Consul General Lee has been authorized to hire merchant vessels, if necessary, and will probably employ the City of Key West of the Coast Line, due here to-morrow; the Mascotte, which is due Wednesday, and the Olivette, which is due for an extra trip on Thursday. The Fern will remain here, so far as is now known.

American citizens only will be given passage on the Mangrove and Bache. Others, if their passports and vaccination certificates are all right, can leave on the Mascotte or the Olivette.

WRECKERS WILL LEAVE HAVANA.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—As a result of the operations of the Chapman & Merritt Wrecking Company and the Boston Towboat Company, which have been at work on the battleship Maine, considerable material which hereafter may be put to some practical use was secured from the wreck. Most of it was removed to Key West, where it will be kept until some conclusion as to its final disposition is reached.

The naval officers are as yet unable to say whether the value of the material recovered will compensate for the amount of money expended by the Government in the effort put forth for its recovery. They have not yet been able to strike a balance.

The suspension of operations by the wrecking companies will enable them to take all their outfit from Havana Harbor, a condition of affairs which might not have been the case had the contract been in operation at a time when war is declared. The contract with the companies was annulled Saturday.

Wainwright to Leave Cuba.

HAVANA, April 4.—Lieut. Commander Wainwright has received orders to go north, his work in superintending the salvage at the wreck of the Maine being ended by the closing of the contract. Lieut. Commander Wainwright will go north at the first opportunity.

THE WEATHER.

The local forecast may be found at the top of this page to the right of the title.

A storm of considerable energy is central in Northern Mississippi. Its previous course has been southeastward, but it will probably now turn northeastward to the Middle Atlantic Coast. The pressure is high throughout the Northwest.

Cloudy weather prevails east of the Mississippi River, except in the upper lake regions. It is generally clear west of the Mississippi. Moderately heavy rains have fallen in the Central and Lower Mississippi Valley, and the rain area has extended eastward to the Middle Atlantic Coast and northward to the lower lakes.

The temperature is lower in the Mississippi Valley, the lake regions, and the Southwest. It is warmer in New England.

Rain is indicated for Tuesday in the Atlantic Coast district and the Upper Ohio Valley, and snow or rain in the lower lake region. The weather will clear in the Lower Ohio and Mississippi Valleys, accompanied by lower temperature. The weather will continue fair in the upper lake region and the districts west of the Mississippi.

The rise in the Mississippi at Cairo has ceased at a stage of 49.6 feet. The rise continues at Memphis, the present stage being 36 feet. The stage at Helena is 43.4 feet, and the river is still rising.

The record of temperature for the twenty-four hours ended at midnight, taken from THE NEW YORK TIMES's thermometer and from the thermometer of the Weather Bureau, is as follows:

	—Weather Bureau.—		TIMES.
	1897.	1898.	1898.
3 A. M.	35	30	31
6 A. M.	35	28	31
9 A. M.	38	32	38
12 M.	43	40	49
4 P. M.	41	45	50
6 P. M.	40	45	48
9 P. M.	40	40	43
12 P. M.	42	40	43

THE TIMES's thermometer is 6 feet above the street level; that of the Weather Bureau is 285 feet above the street level.

Average temperatures yesterday were as follows:

Printing House Square	41½
Weather Bureau	36
Corresponding date 1897	39
Corresponding date for last 20 years	45

The maximum temperature yesterday was 46 degrees, at 5:30 P. M.; the minimum was 27 degrees, at 6 A. M. The humidity at 8 A. M. was .50, and at 8 P. M. .61.

Music Boxes for Summer Homes will not rust. Playing any tune better than a piano. KEENEY, 116 Fifth Ave., bet. 16th and 17th Sts.

CUBA MUST BE FREED

President McKinley, in His Message to Congress, Will Stand on This Proposition.

WILL ADVISE INTERVENTION IF NECESSARY.

The Administration Unmoved by Suggestions of Mediation by European Nations.

No Proposition to be Considered Which Is Not Based on Cuban Independence.

The President will send his Cuban message to Congress to-morrow. The understanding in Washington is that the President will insist that Cuba must be free and will recommend armed intervention by this country to bring about that result.

It also is understood that the President has abandoned hope of securing a settlement with Spain by diplomacy. It seems to be the fact that diplomatic correspondence with Spain was broken off when the reply to the propositions of this country was received. It was announced at the White House last night that negotiations with Spain had not been resumed.

A good deal of talk about mediation has come from Europe, but there is no reason for believing that our Government wants mediation from any person, Government, or association of Governments. A Cabinet officer said yesterday that the Administration would listen to no mediation that was not based on the proposition of Cuban independence.

Orders have been sent to Minister Woodford and the Consuls of the United States in Cuba and Spain to be prepared to leave their posts at a moment's notice. These orders are regarded as indicating the belief of the Administration that there will be war.

There is no question as to the attitude of Congress. It waits only for the word from the President to take measures that will result in Cuban independence.

The Cuban insurgents apparently are unmoved by the plea of the Autonomist Cabinet for an armistice with a view to arranging terms of peace. The representatives of the insurgents in this country say there will be no peace in Cuba until the Cuban flag flies over the island and the dominion of Spain is at an end.

STRONG MESSAGE TO-MORROW.

Believed in Washington the President Will Submit Propositions that Will Suit Congress.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—President McKinley's message to Congress on the Spanish-Cuban question will be sent to the Senate and House Wednesday. The pacific outlook of Sunday has disappeared. The work of those who were employing the Sunday hours to impress Congress with the importance of "thinking," which was taken to mean something

than by any other means than an appeal to arms.

Significant Signs for War.

Other indications were given to-day of the expectation that the President's message will be of a character to lead the Congress to declare war. Representative Grout of Vermont, who had visited the President in the morning, introduced in the House in the afternoon a bill recognizing Cuba as a free and independent State, authorising the expenditure of $200,000 to succor the non-combatant Cubans, and to provide the necessary agricultural aid to those who wish to raise crops. Mr. Grout had talked with the President at length, and he said that the President's message would go beyond the bill in its proposals.

To meet the tide of intervention talk in Congress, a member of the Cabinet uttered to-day a speech which was quite as significant as the explanation of Mr. Grout. He authorized this statement:

"You may say for me that all the powers of Europe and the heads of all the Churches may propose mediation to Spain if they desire, but the United States will positively not listen to mediation of any kind that does not lead to the acceptance of our condition, which is independence for Cuba."

Not the least important of the indications heard here is that conveyed in the statement of a well-known member of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, who says that he has canvassed the Administration, including the Vice President, and finds that it is in unbroken line for intervention, including Mr. Bliss, who had been classed with Senator Hanna as one of the men who have urged the President to accept any settlement of the controversy that would avert war.

Expected Purport of the Message.

A New England Republican who spent some minutes with Mr. McKinley to-day said: "His central idea is to bring free Cuba out of the present complications. His message will take a firm and pronounced stand that certainly will fully meet the expectations of the country. He will review the situation very thoroughly, and a state paper of such significance requires very laborious work and a weight of responsibility that makes ample time for consideration absolutely essential. As a result of the showing up of the deplorable state of affairs on the Island, the establishment and maintenance of a republic against great odds, and the present showing made by the insurgents, he is determined upon the freedom of the whole island from Spanish rule.

"How that is to be accomplished I cannot tell beyond the point of official recognition of independence by this country. I do not think he will deal with the Maine affair at any length in this connection. He doubtless will refer to it, but in view of the intention to take up that later as a separate subject, my impression is that he will not urge any action on that incident at this time. He believes it would be wiser to wait a little while longer before taking precipitate action; that we would certainly gain as much by a little delay as Spain might in case of war. There are many things to do, and I believe the country is not in readiness to go to war with another nation. I think the President thinks that way, too, and that if war is inevitable, delay of a few days would not harm us at all, in view of preparations that are under way and need time for completion. Unless his present plan is changed, that message will be submitted surely Wednesday."

Calls to Stand by the President.

Congress has been called upon by telegraph and by letter to stand by the President. The suddenness with which the stream of communications poured in and the similarity in the wordings of the messages have been noted. The comment by Senators and Representatives is that they lack spontaneity and originality, and appear to have been sent upon solicitation. Very few of the appeals thus sent out have come to Democrats.

The House to-day held a large audience of spectators when business began. The Democrats, led by Mr. Bailey, found opportunity to express their topmost feelings when Mr. Bailey, in objecting to the immediate consideration of a Senate bill to permit the construction of fortifications for emergency occasions, suggested as a condition of the passage of so unusual a bill an explanation of it. Mr. Bailey's declaration was that his side was without information as to whether there was to be a war or not, and if war was not to come there was no necessity for passing such bills.

His utterances, full of the belligerent spirit, moved the audience to uproarious applause. Speaker Reed tried to stop it, and sternly threatened to clear the galleries if the outrage upon the rules was repeated. The outrage was repeated, but the Speaker did not clear the galleries. The temper of the crowd was unmistakeable, and as it was made up in part of a body of tourists, 300 strong, from New England, the demonstration was impressive.

Talk About Mediation.

Among the leading men here the talk about mediation by the Pope or others is not discussed as likely to be successful, and it is treated as a matter for Spain to be interested in if it is to be employed. The President would undoubtedly regard with satisfaction a plan of mediation pressed by powers friendly to Spain and to the United States if the plan included a provision for Cuban independence, early if not immediate.

Dr. Albert Shaw of The Review of Reviews is here, and saw the President this afternoon. It is understood that he told the President that it was a mistake to assume that while business men deplore the prospect of war, involving as it does the business disturbance and great loss of life and material, that they believe war to be the worst outcome of the controversy. He is of the opinion that the country will sustain the President in asserting a strong, vigorous, and hostile treatment of the subject, and that any other handling of it will prove to be a National as well as political calamity.

There is no longer a shadow of doubt that the Maine disaster will be treated in Congress as a deliberate and hostile act by Spain, so that reference to it by the President are heard, but it cannot be ascertained, from those who have talked with the President on the subject, that he has expressed any well-defined intention to describe it as a cause of war. "If he should do so," said a Republican Senator, "the message would be as startling as it would be gratifying to a large majority of the Senate and the House."

CONGRESS PREPARED TO ACT.

No Delay for the President Beyond To-morrow—Maine Disaster to be Made Prominent.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations has completed a tentative programme on the Spanish question, in anticipation of the President's special message. Unless that message radically alters the situation, or is materially different from what the members of the committee expect, the resolutions and the accompanying report will go in as they have been drawn. The committee expects the message to-morrow or Wednesday at the latest, and it has no present intention to anticipate the President's communication.

On the part of some of its members, however, there is a disposition to chafe at further delay for any cause, and several of them are opposed to waiting any longer than Wednesday for the Executive to show his hand. Among these are understood to be Senators Foraker and Frye. With the resolutions and the report itself already drawn, the committee is prepared to act the day the message is received. There will be no dilatory tactics on its part.

The parliamentary programme contemplates the prompt reference of the message to the Committee on Foreign Relations without debate, and the prompt reporting by the committee of a set of resolutions, accompanied by a detailed statement of the reasons therefor.

Capt. Sigsbee's Dispatch Suppressed.

It is stated on the authority of a member of the Foreign Relations Committee that the report will give great prominence to the sinking of the Maine. The committee has been taking testimony on this subject on its own account, and the statement is made by a Senator who has heard this supplemental evidence that if the people at large could hear it they would be more thoroughly convinced than they are that the Maine was deliberately blown up by the Spaniards.

The same Senator said that it had been proved beyond doubt that the electric lights in Havana went out simultaneously with the explosion which wrecked the Maine, a fact which of his mind suggested the possibility of a connection between the electric current which exploded the submarine mine and that which supplied the city's lights. Capt. Sigsbee is said to have testified before the Foreign Relations Committee that he sent a dispatch to Washington two days after the disaster, saying that the ship had been blown up by a submarine mine, which disposition was carefully suppressed at this end of the line.

Admiral Manterola, commander further testified that the Havana authorities carefully examined the stability of the Spanish men of war near which his ship lay, but afforded no such protection to the Maine.

It is understood that the resolutions to be reported by the Senate committee will closely follow the Foraker resolutions, declaring for the independence of Cuba, and armed intervention, if necessary, to bring about that result. To this will be added, it is understood, a paragraph sending forth the committee's conclusions in the Maine matter. What the nature of these conclusions is, is suggested by the remark of a member of the committee, who said to-night that he thought the form of resolution which would best express the sentiments of Congress and the people would be one simply reciting the fact that: "Whereas The Maine was blown up in the Harbor of Havana by Spanish agents, therefore be it resolved that a state of war exists with Spain."

Whatever may be the President's tendency the members of the Foreign Relations Committee feel confident that the Cabinet members are with them. A member of the committee who has canvassed the Cabinet in the last few days said to-night that he had been greatly encouraged by his canvass, which had revealed gratifying solidity in favor of firm and aggressive action. Vice President Hobart had become a convert to the aggressive policy, he said, and Secretary Bliss, who has been classed as "a peace-at-any-price" man, he declared to be heart and soul in sympathy with that policy.

Consular Reports to be Held Back.

In the executive session of the Senate to-day it was stated that Judge Day had said late to-day that the message from the President could not be sent in before Wednesday, but that it would be forwarded certainly then.

Senator Mason asked if the Consular correspondence was to be supplied with the message, and Senator Morgan, speaking for the committee, said it was not to be furnished at the same time for the reason that the President considered it unsafe to print the reports of the Consuls in the present state of feeling, and while they were in Cuba, and that they would not send them in until the writers should be withdrawn, which was expected to be done soon.

The leaders of the Republicans of the House and Senate held several informal meetings during the afternoon looking to the arrangement of a programme for concerted action at both ends of the Capitol in case the President is not ready to transmit his message to Congress on Wednesday. Senator Davis, Senator Foraker, Senator Cullom, and others were seen by the House Republicans, and as a result the committee appointed by the House Republicans last Wednesday postponed the meeting of the conference, which was to have been held to-night, until Wednesday at 11 A. M.

At that time, if it is apparent that longer delay is to be asked, they are to proceed at both ends of the Capitol. The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations has agreed informally on their resolutions, and the Republicans of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House are practically united. Both will be for armed intervention, and the blowing up of the Maine will be a feature of each.

The House committee will call Capt. Sigsbee and other naval officers before it to-morrow, and the committee expects to take strong ground on the Maine affair. Both committees being ready to act on Wednesday, the resolutions can be brought up in both houses on that day.

Speaker Reed, it is positively stated, will not attempt to block any programme that has the indorsement of a majority of the Republicans of the House, and when the conference meets on Wednesday, it is said, if the President is not ready to report, the committee will be able to convince the Speaker beyond cavil that they are in not only the majority, but a large majority.

THE SENATE FOR FREE CUBA.

A Prominent Member Makes a Canvass, Showing 74 For and 15 Against.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—If Senator Hanna has been expecting, as has been stated in some of the newspapers, to secure the defeat in the Senate of such a series of resolutions as the Committee on Foreign Relations is prepared to bring in on Thursday, it is the opinion of a leading Senator, who favors intervention, that he will merely suffer a crushing defeat in his first venture as a director of Senate action.

"There is no hope," said this Senator, "of any outcome of this matter in the Senate with its present spirit save the declaration that Cuba shall be free, and that the United States will intervene to assure that freedom, partly on Cuba's account and partly on our own. With the greatest respect for the President, whom I rely upon to regard the convictions of the people and the informed conclusions of the Congress, I feel free to say that this will be the outcome, whether the message of the President be in that direction or in another."

The Senator to whom reference is made, and who does not desire to be mentioned by name, showed his canvass of the body to support his prediction that a motion for recognition and intervention would be passed. He says that the vote will stand as follows, and perhaps will be more nearly unanimous:

For intervention—Allen, Butler, Harris, Heitfeld, and Turner, Populists; Bacon, Bate, Berry, Chilton, Clay, Cockrell, Daniel, Faulkner, J. K. Jones, Kenney, McEnery, McLaurin, Mallory, Martin, Mills, Mitchell, Money, Morgan, Murphy, Pasco, Pettus, Rawlins, Roach, Smith, Tillman, Turley, Turpie, Vest, Walthal, and White, Democrats; Baker, Burrows, Carter, Chandler, Clark, Cullom, Davis, Deboe, Doraker, Frye, Gallinger, Gear, Hansbrough, Hawley, Lodge, McBride, McMillan, Mason, Nelson, Penrose, Perkins, Pritchard, Proctor, Quay, Sewell, Shoup, Spooner, Thurston, Warren, Wellington, Wilson, and Wolcott, Republicans; Cannon, Mantle, Pettigrew, and Teller, Silver Republicans; Kyle, an independent—74.

Against intervention—Aldrich, Allison, Elkins, Fairbanks, Hale, Hanna, Hoar, Morrill, Platt of Connecticut, Platt of New York, and Wetmore, Republicans; Caffrey, Gorman, Gray, and Lindsay, Democrats—15.

There has never been any doubt about how the House stands. Nearly 200 Republicans have been found who will vote for intervention. The Democrats and Populists are solid for intervention. Out of the 357 members of the House it is extremely doubtful whether ten members will be bold enough to cast their votes in the negative.

TALK OF A BOND ISSUE.

May Be a Controversy in Congress Over the Means of Raising Funds.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Notwithstanding that the responsibility for originating revenue measures rests with the House, and not with the Senate, there is still much discussion of ways and means to this end among individual Senators, and the subject bids fair to prove the basis of sharp controversy, and especially if an attempt is made to secure an issue of bonds, which has already been suggested by some of the Senators as the most feasible means of raising money.

There is a large element in the Senate which will not assent to the passage of a law authorizing the issuing of bonds, even in case of war. This element is composed of advocates of the free coinage of silver, many of whom at least will take the position that there is no necessity for bonds so long as there is uncoined silver in the Treasury.

They have already been sounded on the proposition, and have said in reply that they would urge the coinage of the seigniorage and the remainder of the silver in the Treasury vaults. Some of them say that if this is not sufficient they will prefer the issuing of greenbacks to interest-bearing bonds.

Furthermore, they contend that the Executive branch of the Government cannot under existing law issue bonds except to maintain the gold reserve, and they say that as this is now intact the probabilities do not point to an early bond issue.

WAR FEVER IN WASHINGTON.

The Vast Crowd of Visitors Expectant and Nervous—Statesmen Calm.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The atmosphere of the Capitol to-day was surcharged with expectation. Aside from the presence of unusually large throngs of visitors in the hallways and lobbies, there was little on the surface except while Mr. Bailey was rousing the gallery with his speech for intervention to indicate the imminence of a crisis in the Nation's history, but in the nervous curiosity of these visitors and in the serious mien of the Senators and Representatives themselves the universal consciousness that momentous events were about to occur betrayed itself.

Seldom before, except at inauguration time, has the Capitol been so overrun with strangers. Streams of excursionists have been pouring into the city for days, and the flow seemed to have reached its maximum to-day when the tourist army invaded the big marble building in battalions, crowding the corridors and glutting the galleries of both Houses. Men, women, and children stood patiently about the galleries' doors waiting until the departure of some who had preceded them should give room inside. The crush was so great that it was found necessary to provide an extra detail of police to direct it and to close the corridors leading to the House galleries and filter the crowd through them slowly.

It was not that anybody expected anything particular to happen to-day. It was known that the President's special message would not be forthcoming and it was generally understood that the Spanish question would be held in abeyance in both houses until the message came. But the public curiosity was to see the Congress on the eve of a possible declaration of war. The Senators and Representatives who are the objects of awesome regard under ordinary circumstances became magnified for the time through the nearness of possible portentous proceedings. So it was that, while matters moved smoothly enough apparently on the floors of the two houses, the people peered eagerly through the doors, gazed from the galleries, and wondered when the expected outburst would come.

What they saw and heard in the hours of public proceedings gave them no clue. There were some incidental references to the one topic of universal interest in the early proceedings of the House, but they were productive of no excitement, and that body soon relapsed into the dreary dullness of District of Columbia business. In the Senate the war issue was exploited by the speeches of Messrs. Perkins, Clay, Rawlins, and Mantle, but no orations were delivered to the usual corporal's guard of Senators, and the effects produced betrayed their presence by no demonstration.

In the private converse of the lawmakers, however, there was no subsidence of the war tide. The constituents who sent in cards to their Congressmen asked first, "Are we going to have war?" then addressed themselves to the business of their call. The Senators who were summoned to the Marble Room found themselves confronted more frequently with requests for information about the probable course of Congress toward Spain than by any other query.

So far as could be inferred from isolated expressions of individual views by members of both houses, the weight of opinion seemed to be for war. There were some who professed to see better prospects for peace than were visible when Congress adjourned Friday, but they admitted that there had been no definite occurrence on which to base this comforting conclusion. In all the talk there was perceptibly an apparently increasing tendency to so emphasize the Maine's fate as in itself a sufficient provocation for war. This was illustrated in a report made public to-day from the Committee on Invalid Pensions on the bill "to encourage enlistments by veterans of the late war during the anticipated war with Spain," in the course of which the committee denounces Spain in unsparing terms, recounts its record of misrule, and declares the Spanish nation criminally responsible for the blowing up of the American man-of-war.

Many Senators and Representatives reported a marked increase in the number of communications on the war question received from their constituents. Generally speaking, it was stated the majority of these, which came from individuals, were for war, the bulk of the appeals for peace coming from commercial or other organizations. Representative Hill of Connecticut, who had just returned from a visit to his district, reported that he found a very considerable element of the business community warm for war, instancing his encountering a group of half a dozen Connecticut bankers whom he met by chance, and who turned out to be as insistent on hostilities as the veriest jingo at the Capitol.

Gen. Grosvenor of Ohio is one of those who fail to find ground for war in the present situation, and he is inclined not to take seriously the talk of its imminence. He said laughingly to-day that, now that the Naval Strategic Board had recovered from its ridiculous panic over the approach of the Spanish torpedo flotilla, he thought the country could breathe freely again.

LEATHER MEN'S INDORSEMENT.

Resolutions Favoring McKinley's Policy Transmitted to Washington.

The following resolutions were adopted at the meeting of the hide and leather trade of New York City yesterday afternoon and telegraphed to President McKinley, Vice President Hobart and Speaker Reed:

Resolved, That we thoroughly and heartily approve of the course of the Administration of President McKinley in dealing with Spain in regard to affairs in the Island of Cuba. The wisdom and moderation of his policy, and his manifest desire to preserve peace while maintaining the honor of the Nation and performing the duty required by humanity, has won the confidence of the people of the United States and the respect of the nations of the earth. The business men of the country, no less patriotic than those who clamor for war, believe in patience and in the exercise of every resource of peaceful negotiation before entering upon a war with Spain, which, while it can bring but little glory to the United States, will bring destruction of life and property and many other evils in its train.

We believe that further negotiations with Spain may safely be left in the hands of the Administration, confident that our just rights and obligations will be maintained in its hands, in peace if that be possible, and that if these can only be maintained my war, that we shall then have a cause that will make our quarrel just.

THE PRESIDENT WARMLY PRAISED.

Resolution Adopted by the Retail Grocers' Union.

The New York Retail Grocers' Union, at a meeting last night at Retail Grocers' Hall, 138 and 140 East Fifty-seventh Street, adopted the following resolution, offered by L. J. Callanan:

Resolved, That the New York Retail Grocers' Union, recognising the gravity of the crisis between the United States and Spain, and the magnitude of the calamity which war would entail upon both nations, enthusiastically commends the wise and conservative course of the President in his firm determination to exhaust every reasonable means to maintain peace with honor, and to adjust the relations of Cuba in a manner satisfactory to the people of this country. We commend the action of Congress in supporting the President in his effort to prevent hostilities pending an adjustment by peaceful methods. We appeal to the representatives of the Nation in Congress to continue to co-operate with the President and to accord to him every opportunity to exhaust peaceful negotiations, and, if war cannot be avoided, let it be under the guidance of our President, who pre-eminently combines the experience of a soldier with the conservative wisdom of a patriotic statement.

BROOKLYN UNION LEAGUE CLUB.

It Sends a Message to the President Expressing Confidence.

The following letter, sent last night to President McKinley by the Union League Club of Brooklyn, explains itself:

Hon. William McKinley, President of the United States:

Sir: At a joint meeting of the Board of Governors and the Committee on Political Affairs of the Union League Club of Brooklyn, held this evening, I was directed, as President of the club, to extend to you an expression of our approval of your course in the present international complications, and our admiration of your calm and dignified forbearance and patience and wise statesmanship in the trying ordeal through which the Nation is now passing. With expression of continued confidence we are loyally yours, JOHN S. McKEON, President.

MARINE WAR RISKS.

Rates Again Increased by Marine Underwriters.

The marine insurance companies again raised their charges yesterday on policies containing the war clause. On risks bound south of Cuba the rate was increased to 10 per cent. in several instances. Despite the better feeling in the stock market, marine underwriters regarded the situation as more serious.

Where there was no increase in rate the previous high charges were rigorously maintained.

Families to Leave Key West.

KEY WEST, April 4.—Many families, fearing that war is at hand and not caring to trust their lives on this island, will leave Key West to-morrow for Miami.

The Easter Show of the Gorham Company

is not this year confined to any one class of Silverware or style of decorative treatment, but includes the many novel results recently obtained by them; it will prove of exceptional interest to those contemplating the purchase of Easter or Wedding Gifts and to Art Lovers generally.

Gorham Mfg. Co.
SILVERSMITHS.
Broadway and 19th Street.

TEN AUXILIARY CRUISERS

Fleet Vessels to be Bought by the Naval Board on Orders from Washington.

FOUR MORGAN LINERS CHOSEN

The Steamships Princess Anne, Yorktown, Jamestown, Venezuela, Caracas, and Kansas City Also Selected—Three Other Vessels for Colliers.

The Naval Board on Auxiliary Cruisers received a telegram from Washington yesterday to select at once ten vessels for auxiliary cruisers. The board went to work at once on this order, and last night sent word to Secretary Long that arrangements had been made for the immediate purchase of the following steamers: El Sud, El Sol, El Rio, and El Norte of the Morgan Line, the Venezuela and Caracas of the Red D Line, the Kansas City of the Savannah Line, and the Yorktown, Jamestown, and Princess Anne of the Old Dominion Line.

It was announced at the offices of the board that the immediate purchase of these vessels will be made, and that they will be sent to the New York and Norfolk Navy Yards to-day for immediate conversion into cruisers. It is possible that if it is found that the wrk upon them cannot be done at the two yards within a few days, some of the vessels will be taken in hand by private shipbuilding firms.

The powerful seagoing iron tug Saturn was purchased yesterday from the Boston Towboat Company and taken to the navy yard, where she will be converted into a collier. The big steam tug Lebanon was also purchased from the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, to be used as a collier, and negotiations were practically completed for the purchase to-day of the big English steamship Irrawaddy, to be used for the same purpose.

The yacht Josephine was purchased from P. B. Widener of Philadelphia, and M. C. Borden's fast yacht Sovereign was also secured. Both yachts will be fitted immediately as torepdo boat destroyers and sent to Key West.

Importance of the Action.

The selection of the ten first named vessels for immediate use as fighting machines, however, is considered a most important and ominous move on the part of the Government. These vessels represent the best type of merchant ships yet produced in America, and are considered the best of their kind in existence.

The minutest detail of their construction was furnished to the Navy Department by the Inspection Board several weeks ago, together with that of a score or more of other vessels of their class hailing from this port, Boston, Baltimore, and Philadelphia. These were finally selected as being best adapted to immediate armament and preparation for hostilities. They represent a total gross tonnage of 36,481, and each is capable of carrying a main battery of from six to ten 6-inch and 8-inch guns, besides a secondary battery of 6, 3, and 1 pounders and Hotchkiss cannon equal to those of any of our cruisers of a similar tonnage.

They average in speed from fifteen to eighteen knots an hour, and have a coal capacity considerably above that of other cruisers of their tonnage. It is believed that their first service in the navy will be as armed transports.

The Vessels Described.

The Morgan liners head the list in point of size. El Rio, the largest of the four, was built in 1893 by the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company. She is of steel, having two decks and five bulkheads. She is 380 feet long, 48 feet beam, and 23 feet in depth, having a gross tonnage of 4,665. She is fitted with triple expansion engines, and was last inspected in August, 1897.

El Norte is scarcely inferior in size, having a tonnage of 4,659. She is of iron, with two decks and five bulkheads, and was built in Newport News in 1892. She is 380 feet long, has a beam of 48 feet, and is 23 feet deep. She is also fitted with three cylinder, triple expansion engines, and was last inspected in October last.

El Sud is a sister ship of El Norte, and is her exact counterpart. Both were launched in the same year.

El Sol was built in 1890 by the Cramps, at Philadelphia. She has a tonnage of 4,523, is 390 feet long, 47 feet beam, and 24 feet in depth. The vessel has two decks and five bulkheads. She is fitted with triple expansion engines, and was last surveyed in September last.

The Yorktown, Jamestown, and Princess Anne, secured from the Old Dominion Steamship Company, are the three best vessels of that line, and represent the latest and best type of the American-built steamship. The Princess Anne has been completed less than a year, and made her maiden trip last Spring. She is of steel, both as to hull and decks. Her decks are three in number, and she has fire bulkheads. She is 304 feet long, 42 feet beam, and 27 feet deep. Her engines are of the triple-expansion type. She was built by the Delaware River Ship and Engine Building Company, at Chester, Penn.

The Yorktown and Jamestown are sister ships. They were both constructed at Chester in 1894. They are each 299 feet long, with 40 feet beam and 34 feet depth of hold, with a tonnage of 2,898. Their hulls and two of their three decks are of steel, and they have 5 bulkheads. Their engines are triple-expansion, with the remarkable piston stroke of 60 inches, intended to develop a much greater speed than usual for vessels of their horse power. They were inspected in October last.

The Other Vessels.

The Kansas City of the Savannah line is of steel throughout, with two decks and five bulkheads. She was built in Chester in 1889, is 327 feet long, 45 feet beam, 19 feet deep, has a tonnage of 3,679, and her engines are triple expansion.

The Venesuela and Caracas are the crack boats of the Red D Line. The Venesuela is an iron vessel, built by the Cramps in 1889; has a tonnage of 2,843, is 303 feet long, 40 feet beam, and 28 feet deep, with two decks, six bulkheads, and triple expansion engines. The Caracas is of iron, and was built by the Cramps in the same year. She has a tonnage of 2,843, is 303 feet long, 40 feet beam, and 28 feet deep, with two decks and five bulkheads, and was built in Newport News in 1892. She is 380 feet long, has a beam of 48 feet, and is 23 feet deep. She is also fitted with three cylinder, triple expansion engines, and was last inspected in October last.

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The unusual number of decks and bulkheads makes these vessels peculiarly adaptable to ready conversion into fighting vessels, as little buttressing and reinforcing will be required before mounting the heavy guns. Nearly all of the vessels are now in port, or are due within three days. Those of the Old Dominion Company now in Norfolk will probably be transferred at once to the navy yard there.

The Cromwell Line steamship Creole, which has been secured by the Government for use as a hospital ship, arrived here yesterday morning from New Orleans. It is understood that as soon as her cargo is discharged, which will probably be this afternoon, she will be taken to Newport News, to be made ready for the service to which she will be assigned. The officials of the line were reticent yesterday concerning the matter. Capt. Gager of the Creole said he had heard that the Surgeon General of the navy had expressed the hope that he would retain command of the Creole, with as many of the present crew as would continue to serve under him.

Work will be begun immediately at the navy yard upon the tug Saturn, the newest acquisition. This powerful vessel, although recorded as a tug, has a tonnage of 2,268, is 205 feet long and 40 feet beam, and was built in 1890.

The Lebanon is considerably smaller than the Saturn, but is a powerful boat. She is 246 feet long, 37 feet in beam, and 22 feet deep, with a tonnage of 1,486.

It is probable that the steam yacht Cleopatra, owned by T. G. Blackstack and Albert Gooderman, which is now at Toronto, will be bought in a day or two for use as a torpedo boat destroyer. The naval board has looked over the yachts Alcedo and Stranger, with the object of adding them to the Government's fleet.

THE TEXAS MAY SAIL TO-DAY.

Her Crew Were Busy Yesterday Stripping the Battleship for Action—Her Destination a Secret.

The battleship Texas, it is expected, will leave the navy yard this morning, as orders have been received from Washington for the vessel to leave as soon as she has taken on all her coal and other stores. She is to go out stripped for action, and yesterday afternoon those of her crew who were not busy putting things on board were taking down her rails, stanchions, and other articles that a war vessel does not carry when in fighting trim. It was expected that the Texas would leave the yard last evening, but at a late hour she was still there.

The destination of the Texas is kept secret. One report was that she was to go to Hampton Roads to join the flying squadron in command of Commodore Schley, and another was that she was to cross the Atlantic and protect the San Francisco, New Orleans, Somers, and the newly purchased cruiser Diogenes.

The Dolphin, which was to have sailed yesterday, will not get away until to-morrow. Some slight defect was discovered in her engines, and it will be repaired before the boat leaves the navy yard.

The armor plating on the Mayflower is nearly finished. The new plates are all in position, but there is considerable riveting to be done yet. The two big guns that the old yacht will carry in her bow are ready to be mounted, and the mounts for the other guns are nearly all in position. The Eagle and Hornet are being plated as rapidly as possible.

Capt. Miller of the Vermont says that he has all the men required to man the vessels that are to be put in commission, and the enlistment of landsmen, coal passers, and apprentices will be stopped for a time.

The tugs Uncas and Tecumseh are almost ready, and crews for these boats have been selected. They will go South in a few days.

MORE SHIPS FOR THE NAVY.

Several Craft Likely to be Secured This Week in Europe—Plans for New Battleships.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The work of increasing the efficient strength of the navy by purchasing ships abroad and at home, and by contracting for new ships from domestic yards, which had fallen behind the other interests of the Navy Department last week, to-day showed signs of renewed activity. The flag has been hoisted over at least one vessel purchased in England, and may be hoisted to-morrow over several in different ports of Europe. Negotiations are on foot for procuring a number of good ships, and it is very likely that more first-class vessels will be bought before the end of this week.

The greatest energy, however, is being displayed at home. A half dozen ships have been bought, another half dozen are being negotiated for, more than a dozen are being looked after with a view to getting reasonable terms, and the Construction Bureau is busy completing plans for the big battleships that have been voted by Congress. These new vessels will be the most formidable of the navy, as they will each have a greater tonnage by 500 than the Iowa, and 700 greater than the other first-class battleships. The plans for them are about completed, and work will be commenced at the earliest practicable moment.

Of course, the keenest attention of the department is devoted now to the completion of work on vessels that may be needed in the event of war with Spain, but the new battleships will be rushed forward as rapidly as they can be built.

YOUR WEAK SPOT.

If You Do Not Know Where It Is You Should Find Out and Strengthen It.

Where is the weak spot in your system?

Is it a weakness of the stomach which causes indigestion, dyspepsia, biliousness, constipation, headaches, and backaches, or is it a general weakness which makes you suffer from tired, languid feelings?

Wherever or whatever your particular weakness may be, you can, if you will, get rid of it and replace it with health, strength, and vigor. Do you know how? If not, you can profitably read the following opinions on the subject and get some valuable information.

Mrs. M. McMahon of 1 Sumpter Street, Brooklyn: "I was formerly much troubled with indigestion, but have been entirely cured by using Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey, which I can sincerely recommend. It gave me relief when all other remedies failed."

Mrs. J. W. Connor of Fitchburg, Mass., says: "I was in bad health and feeling very miserable and low spirited when a friend advised me to try Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey. I did so, and am now feeling stronger, happier, and healthier than I have felt in years. It has worked wonders in my case."

Hundreds of similar opinions could be furnished, but the above are quite sufficient to prove that Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey is unequaled for its stimulating, strengthening effects. It purifies and quickens the blood, promotes digestion, and makes sound, healthy flesh. It should be remembered, however, that it is not an ordinary whiskey, but is unlike any other. On this account be sure and get only the genuine and accept no inferior imitation.

A STYLISH HAT often rescues a man from shabbiness.

KNOX'S HATS.
Absolutely Correct.

No previous collection of TIFFANY FAVRILE GLASS has called forth such favorable comment as the present Easter Exhibition now open and on sale at

The Tiffany Studios,
333 FOURTH AVE., NEW YORK.

A CREW FOR THE DIOGENES.

She Will Be Coaled and Provisioned To-day and Ready to Sail.

LONDON, April 4.—The United States officials here have been singularly reticent concerning the name to be borne by the new American cruiser purchased last Saturday afternoon from the Thames Iron Works by Lieut. Commander Colwell, United States Naval Attaché, here. She now bears the unique name of Diogenes, but the Government will undoubtedly change this.

A large force was at work all day and into the night coaling and provisioning her, and it is expected that the work will be completed to-morrow.

A crew of forty was enlisted to-day to take her across the Atlantic. The vessel is now in the custody of Mr. C. W. Hazelton, formerly an ensign of the United States Navy, who has of late been in business in London. He has offered his services to the Government, and to-day was commissioned as Acting Ensign.

Lieut. John J. Knapp will take command when he arrives here on board the torpedo boat Somers, recently purchased for the United States at the Schichau Yards, and Acting Ensign Hazelton will be the Executive Officer.

Lieut. Col. Bates Unable to Buy Guns.

LONDON, April 4.—Lieut. Col Alfred E. Bates, the United States Military Attaché here, has returned from his visit to Belgium, Holland, and Germany. It is understood he has failed to secure any suitable guns or ammunition for the United States.

THE FLYING SQUADRON.

The Columbia Back from Coaling—Cadets from Naval Academy Arrive.

FORT MONROE, Va., April 4.—It was bleak and windy to-day, and that, with the fact that Capt. Cook of the Brooklyn wanted some turret bearings smoothed down, prevented Commodore Schley from taking his ships out to sea for target practice. It is his intention to mobilize the squadron here to-morrow morning if the divers finish cleaning the Massachusetts' bottom.

Supplies for a possible long trip were taken aboard the ships to-day, and in the afternoon about twenty midshipmen arrived from the Naval Academy and were distributed between the Columbia and the Massachusetts. The Minneapolis lies here, half white and half gray, the cold wind to-day preventing the completion of her painting.

The Columbia finished coaling last night at Newport News and ran down here this morning. She is in first-class shape and ready for sea at a moment's notice.

No visitors were allowed on any of the vessels to-day and no men were given shore leave.

Up to 7 o'clock to-night Commodore Schley had not received anything from Washington indicating that he is to have more than the five ships already assigned him.

The announcement that the Spanish squadron at Cadiz had started was made here to-night, but caused no more than passing comment.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—There was a rumor afloat in the Navy Department to-day that secret orders had been sent to Commodore Schley, commanding the flying squadron. The officials of the department denied that any such orders had been issued, and added that the squadron was anchored quietly in the Roads, awaiting the adjustment of the Spanish imbroglio.

CABLE STATION ON ST. THOMAS.

United States and France Arrange for It with Denmark.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—An arrangement was reached during the day by which the United States and France will co-operate through their Ministers at Copenhagen in the establishment of a public cable station on the Danish islands of St. Thomas.

SAILORMAN RE-ENLISTS.

Gave Up His Place as Trolley Conductor to Return to His Old Ship.

NEWARK, N. J., April 4.—Stanley J. Lunger, son of a patrolman of this city, who has been acting as a trolley car conductor for some time past, went to the office of the traction company this morning and turned in his shield. Then he went home and bade his parents good-bye, saying he was going to the Brooklyn Navy Yard to enlist. Lunger is twenty-three years old and has served five years in the navy. When his term expired he came home and began railroading.

Saturday he received a letter from a commissioned officer on one of the ships in Southern waters, under whom he had served as a petty officer. He replied at once. Before going this morning he said his old petty office was open for him and that he would be sent to the ship his commissioned friend was on.

NEW COAL LIGHTER WRECKED.

The Edith Howe Dashed Against the Indiana at Key West.

KEY WEST, April 4.—A serious accident to the coal lighter Edith Howe has considerably impaired the coaling work. The Edith Howe is a brand-new Government lighter. She arrived Saturday from Philadelphia with 400 tons of coal. While discharging into the Indiana during a heavy sea last night she was dashed violently against the battleship, and had to be towed in, and she now lies a semi-wreck, with 200 tons of coal still aboard. It is feared that she cannot be repaired.

Activity at Key West.

KEY WEST, April 4.—A stupendous amount of work has been accomplished here during the last thirty days in coaling and provisioning. This has been done by Commandant Forsyth and Paymaster Mohun. The expenditures during the month of March due to war preparation at the Key West Naval Station amounted to $132,000, of which $72,000 was for ammunition. This was distributed among the ships, and does not include $70,000 worth in store, nor large shipments now en route. The Navy Department had asked for the figures, and these were sent to Washington to-day.

Firemen for a Coast Guard.

PATCHOGUE, L. I., April 4.—There is a movement on foot to have the volunteer firemen of Suffolk County organize a naval reserve, to patrol the Long Island coast in case of hostilities with Spain. Most of the volunteers in the county are baymen, and as they are accustomed to the waters around Long Island, would make good sea fighters. W. K Post of New York

...R SPIRIT IN CONGRESS

...r. Bailey Causes the Galleries to Applaud Until They Are Threatened with Expulsion.

ANOTHER WAR BILL PASSED

Senator Perkins Holds Spain Directly Responsible for the Loss of the Maine—Senator Rawlins for a Declaration of War.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Aside from a little District of Columbia business in the House and a little work on the Sundry Civil bill in the Senate, proceedings in Congress to-day related wholly to the Cuban question. The intense interest manifested by the people in everything that pertains to the Cuban question was manifested in the great crowds in the Capitol. Despite the specific statement that the President's message would not be sent to Congress to-day, and the inferential understanding that the subject of Cuba might not be even referred to, the people came by the thousands. As early as 8 o'clock many were sitting and standing on the steps leading up to the Capitol entrances.

Some of them carried their luncheons, evidently determined to sit through the entire session and see all there was to be seen. Great audiences looked down upon the two chambers when the House and Senate convened. The greater crowd was in the House end of the Capitol. It is estimated there were 15,000 in the corridors, clamoring for admission to the galleries. Everybody seemed to be in an excited frame of mind, and on the floor the most disquieting rumors prevailed.

While there was no attempt to force consideration for a resolution regarding the Cuban situation in the House to-day, there was a brief outbreak, in the course of which the warlike temper of the crowded galleries was so manifest that Speaker Reed threatened to clear them if it was repeated. The outbreak occurred over a bill to authorize the President to erect temporary fortifications in case of emergency upon land when the written consent of the owners was obtained without awaiting the long process of legal condemnation. This led to a demand by Mr. Bailey, the Democratic leader, for information as to the facts which warranted all these war measures. The particular statement which aroused the galleries was to the effect that while the Democrats were willing to wait any reasonable time for the President to transmit a message that would meet the approval of the American people, they would not wait a minute for him to continue negotiations with the "butchers of Spain."

In the Senate it was frankly and openly charged by Mr. Perkins of California in a set speech that Spain was responsible for the Maine disaster, as it had been brought about by Spanish machinations and Spanish treachery. The speech of Mr. Perkins was only one of four prepared addresses upon the Cuban question delivered in the Senate to-day. Mr. Clay of Georgia, while hoping for a peaceful solution of the problem the country is now facing, declared strongly in favor of independence of the Cubans, and pledged to the Administration the loyal support of the South, which, in the event of war, would have to bear the brunt of the conflict.

Mr. Perkins took substantially the same ground, and his vigorous treatment of the Maine disaster aroused the crowded galleries to enthusiastic applause. Mr. Mantle of Montana, while expressing confidence in the Administration, maintained that the time for action had now arrived, and that action must be to the end that Cuba should be free. Mr. Rawlins of Utah entirely eliminated the President from consideration in his speech, holding that the case against Spain was already made up, and that with Congress rested the responsibility of declaring war. For Congress to wait longer was only to invite criticism. He declared for the most vigorous action immediately.

WAR MEASURE IN THE HOUSE.

Fortification Bill Passed—Mr. Reed Threatens to Clear the Galleries—Democrats Want Light.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The floor of the House, owing to the immense crowds which thronged the aisles, was cleared half an hour before noon. Every seat in the reserved galleries and the executive and diplomatic galleries was occupied.

Speaker Reed ascended the rostrum at noon and called the House to order. Amid an impressive silence that followed, the blind Chaplain prayed that the Nation's Legislature might, with clear thought, wise deliberation, and unanimity of action, meet the grave situation which confronted the country.

A resolution to print several thousand additional copies of the report of the board of inquiry on the Maine disaster led Mr. Livingston (Dem., Ga.,) to ask why the House could not wait for the next message from the President.

"There is an enormous demand for this report in the country," replied Mr. Perkins.

"Where is the demand? In Spain?" asked Mr. Livingston.

Mr. Cannon, Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, asked unanimous consent for the consideration of the Senate resolutions suspending a portion of Section 355 of the Revised Statutes, so as to permit the United States to erect fortifications in cases of emergency upon any land upon obtaining the written consent of the owner. "This is another war measure," interposed Mr. Bailey. "I shall object until I find out whether we are going to have any war."

Mr. Cannon explained that the passage of this bill was urgently recommended by the Chief Engineers. He moved to pass the bill under suspension of the rules.

Mr. Bailey Brings Out Applause.

Mr. Bailey, the Democratic leader, took the floor after Mr. Cannon's explanation and made a speech, in which he called attention to the fact that on several occasions within the last thirty days the House had been called upon to vote upon several propositions which indicated that war was directly ahead of us. Yet, he said, Congress was not in possession of any fact which warrants this belief. He had voted, he said, for the extraordinary emergency $50,000,000 appropriation, but he had voted for it under the impression that we were perilously near to war. If a Democratic President had asked a Democratic House to authorize such an expenditure without control or limitation he should have denied it. He should have demanded the estimates. But in this case believing that danger was at hand he had voted for it. Much of that great appropriation had already been expended, yet information, except such as came through the newspapers, was still withheld. To-day the House was asked to meet another emergency. Last Wednesday when the House was asked to meet the vital question the majority had refused to meet it. It was then everywhere announced that the President would be prepared to send a message to Congress to-day.

The House adjourned Friday until to-day with that impression. Yet now every well-informed man knew there was to be none to-day. When was the message to come in? he asked. "It seems to me important," said he, "that the House and the country should know what the Government was doing and intended to do. We ought not to be asked to vote blindly. If the occasion warrants it we are ready to vote for every proper measure to prepare for war, and if war comes we are ready to vote for every measure designed to prosecute it to a successful conclusion."

A perfect storm of applause swept through the galleries, which the Speaker had considerable difficulty in subduing. The Speaker warned the galleries that no demonstrations of approval or disapproval would be permitted. But the next utterance of Mr. Bailey redoubled the applause.

"Those galleries," said Mr. Bailey, waving his hands about the thronged galleries, "are but a miniature of the American people. If Congress could face the galleries of the people they would force this House to action."

This time the Speaker sternly warned the galleries that if the demonstration was again repeated he would order them cleared.

"Oh! I think that would hardly be fair," interposed Mr. Steele, (Rep., Ind.) "The gentleman is only talking to the galleries." (Laughter.)

"The Deaf Ear of the Majority."

"It is better," retorted Mr. Bailey, "to talk to the listening galleries than the deaf ear of the majority. I say now that if the President wants one, two, or even three days to prepare a message which will meet the approval of the American people we on this side are willing that he should have time, but if he wants one day or one hour to continue negotiations with the butchers of Spain, not one minute will we give him." [Great applause on the Democratic side and scattering applause on the Republican side.]

Mr. Hopkins (Rep., Ill.,) suggested that there was need of discretion at such times as these. "We cannot advertise our weaknesses," said he, "nor make war preparations with a brass band."

Mr. Fitzgerald (Dem., Mass.,) said that all measures designed to place the country in a state of defense should be passed at once.

Mr. Lentz (Dem., Ohio,) said he thought an amendment he desired to offer to recognise the independence of Cuba should be attached to the bill. Spain had recognised the Confederacy within thirty days after Sumter was fired on. Why should we hesitate?

Mr. Williams, (Dem., Miss.,) a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee, at this juncture made an important statement, considering the fact that the committee had adjourned within an hour, and that some disclosures had been made which sealed the lips of all the members of the committee, Republicans and Democrats alike. He said the proposed amendment at this time was inopportune. "I believe," said he, "that when we move we should move in phalanx and in line. On this side our position is known and understood by the country. To emphasize it now might do more harm than good."

As an emergency measure, he would, he said, support this bill.

Mr. Maddox (Dem., Ga.,) thought Congress and the country should be fully informed of all the facts regarding the crisis, so that members could proceed with deliberation. If there was to be war it would be the war of the people of the United States and not of any party. But there should be no hasty, impetuous plunge into war. The members of the Congress of 1861, said he, plunged the country into war and then carefully hid away in their bomb-proofs and allowed others to do the fighting. He thought every member should be willing to fight before he asked others to fight. [Applause.]

Democrats Fall Into Line.

Mr. Bailey then said that he did not desire to oppose the bill. His purpose had been to see if some one on the other side would not venture some information as to the emergency that existed. Last Thursday the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. Grosvenor) notified us that this question would be settled right and settled by the Republican Party. Mr. Grosvenor interposed to declare that he had acted with the help of the Democratic Party.

Mr. Bailey said the Democrats would all prove this by voting for this measure.

Mr. Cannon said there was a time for speech, a time for silence, and a time for action. This was the time for action. The President, he argued, should be permanently empowered to make temporary fortifications for the National defense.

He declared that Mr. Bailey was posturing, and said he had thought he (Bailey) could well afford to let this law be changed, so that his own City of Galveston could be fortified, perhaps to repel a foreign fleet.

"A fleet could never get close enough to bombard Galveston," observed Mr. Bailey, "if we had the right kind of an Administration.

Mr. Cannon, evidently nettled, replied angrily that he was talking sense. He meant business. The gentleman from Texas, he asserted, was trying to "muddy the waters and to posture."

Mr. Sayres, the ranking minority member of the Appropriations Committee, said the bill had the unanimous support of the committee. Once for all, he wanted it understood that whatever was necessary to place the country in a state of complete defense would have his support. [Applause.]

Mr. Dockery, (Dem., Mo.,) also a member of the Appropriations Committee, spoke in a similar strain, and in the course of his remarks said he would never believe that Spain would in good faith relieve the distress and starvation in Cuba nor would he ever rely upon the "honor" of Spain to avenge the victims of the Maine.

The bill was then passed without discussion.

Mr. Hull, (Rep., Iowa,) Chairman of the Military Affairs Committee, moved to suspend the rules and pass the Army Reorganization bill, but, as some of the Democrats wanted opportunity to discuss and amend the bill, it was finally arranged that the bill should be made a special order for Wednesday, with the understanding that it should not interfere with a report from the Foreign Affairs Committee.

The House then proceeded with the consideration of District of Columbia business, and at 5:10 P. M. adjourned.

WAR SPEECHES IN THE SENATE.

Senator Perkins on the Maine Disaster—As an Expert, He Declares Spain Directly Responsible.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—As soon as the Senate was ready for business Mr. Allen (Pop., Neb.,) presented and secured the adoption of a resolution directing the Secretary of the Navy to inform the Senate as to the total number of lives lost in the Maine disaster, the total number rescued, and the total number of bodies yet unrecovered.

Mr. Turner (Pop., Wash.,) introduced a resolution which he asked should go over until to-morrow, "if, in the meantime, nothing has been done in the matter." The resolution directs the Committee on Foreign Relations to report at the earliest moment, "without waiting for the concurrence or advice of any department of the Government, what action, if any, in view of the Maine disaster and of the deplorable condition of Cuban affairs, should be taken to preserve the honor and dignity of this country."

When the resolution offered last Friday by Mr. Chandler, (Rep., N. H.,) requesting the Secretary of State to send to the Senate the Cuban Consular correspondence was laid before the Senate, Mr. Davis, Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, asked that the resolution "go over until Wednesday." To this Mr. Chandler assented.

The resolution presented by Mr. Quay (Rep., Penn.,) calling for a report from the Foreign Relations Committee on the Cuban question by Tuesday also went over at the request of Mr. Quay.

Messages from Constituents.

Mr. Pettigrew (Sil. Rep., S. D.,) presented a telegram signed by more than a hundred of his constituents reading:

"All parties here want Spanish torpedo flotilla turned back or destroyed. Patience exhausted."

Mr. Gear (Rep., Iowa,) presented a resolution of the Iowa Legislature, indorsing the "action of the President and Congress" upon the Cuban question, and pledging its support to the Administration.

Mr. Clay (Dem., Ga.,) made some remarks, based, he said, upon the resolution submitted by Mr. Foraker, (Rep., Ohio,) a resolution in favor of independence, and if necessary, armed intervention. Mr. Clay said that while he was fully prepared to support the Administration in action upon the Cuban matter, he was desirous that war should be averted if it could be, by any possibility. The Administration ought to be afforded every opportunity to bring about a diplomatic solution of the pending trouble, and he felt certain that so long as the Legislative branch of the Government was assured that the President was acting with judgment and patriotism it would wait upon his recommendations. Mr. Clay said he was satisfied that no permanent peace could be had in Cuba that did not include independence. He fully realized, he said, that in the event of war the South would be a greater sufferer than any other part of the country. Her seacoast cities would be open to attack by the enemy, her people would be first called upon to defend their homes from invasion, and her commerce would be seriously crippled. He would not vote for war unless every effort to bring about a peaceful solution of the present difficulty was first exhausted.

If, however, the matter could not be settled diplomatically in consonance with the honor and dignity of the country, he would favor drastic action.

"In the independence of Cuba," he said, "lies the only solution. And if Spain will not agree to that peacefully, the United States must enforce it with all the power of her land and naval forces. The people of the South believe in the peaceful solution of the question if possible, but are willing to employ force if necessary." This fact ought, in the opinion of Mr. Clay, to be distinctly communicated to Spain. She ought to be told that the American people absolutely demand the freedom of the Cubans. Then if she does not accede to the demand the results would be of her own making. In the accomplishment of Cuban independence, Georgia, the empire State of the South, Mr. Clay said, in conclusion, would do its full share.

Mr. Perkins's Speech.

In opening a set speech upon the Cuban question Mr. Perkins, (Rep., Cal.,) said he felt it his duty to speak not only for himself, but in behalf of the people whom he represented. He eulogized the conduct of the President for the calm, dignified, and conservative manner in which he had handled the grave problem presented for his solution, but the time for action had arrived. "A little more delay," said he, "a little more waiting, and the United States would become an accessory to the greatest, the most appalling crime in history. The patience of a great Nation has its limits, and in this case the limit has been reached. The time for the horrors in Cuba to cease has come, and cease they must."

Mr. Perkins, who has had a lifetime of experience in the handling of great vessels, discussed the destruction of the Maine from the point of view of an expert. He declared that our sailors and officers had been beguiled by the deception of the Spaniards to a place in a friendly harbor, and there, without a minute's warning, blown into eternity. Capt. Sigsbee, in communicating to this Government the first brief details of the awful disaster, had made himself famous in the eyes of the civilized world by the diplomacy and calmness of his language. There was no proof of treachery by the Spaniards; but, while the people of the Nation believed, and still believe, that the catastrophe was due to Spanish devices, Capt. Sigsbee besought all to suspend judgment until the facts could be known.

Responsibility of Spain.

It would have been impossible, Mr. Perkins said, for any man or set of men to place in the harbor of Havana mines or torpedoes without the knowledge of the Government authorities. No impartial judge would fail, after considering all the facts presented, to place the responsibility for the crime upon the Spanish Government through its authorized officials. "This most hideous crime of the nineteenth century," declared Mr. Perkins vehemently, "was an act of war, and I believe that it is so regarded by the nations of the world."

The only honorable action for this country now to take was to intervene and free Cuba from the yoke of Spain which she had so long borne.

Mr Mantle (Silver Rep., Mont.,) followed with an extended speech upon the absorbing topic of Cuba, in which he declared that he favored the independence of the Cuban people who, for years had been struggling for their freedom. "I would," said he, "give my unqualified indorsement and vote in favor of directing the President to use the armed forces, both land and naval, to suppress the savagery that is now rampant upon that fair island."

Mr. Mantle thought that the time had come for recognizing Cuban independence, but that a declaration of war would be fully justified by the willful destruction of the Maine. While holding these sentiments, Mr. Mantle was willing to wait upon the action of the Committee on Foreign Relations whose recommendations he had no doubt would be wise and just and cover the whole case.

With Congress the Responsibility.

Mr. Rawlins (Dem., Utah,) said the case between Spain and the United States was made up. It was no longer for the Executive to decide what course to pursue. With Congress rested the responsibility of declaring war, and as this was the pressing duty the President was no longer the party to be criticised if any one was to be. Congress can, it will, and it will do it speedily.

The Wanamaker Store

Flowers in Bloom

WE begin this morning our usual selling of Flowering Plants. You will find them on both the 9th and 10th street aisles—a double flower garden in full blossom.

Easter Lilies are very prominent in the showing, but not by any means all. There is a magnificent assortment of Azaleas, Roses (in pots), Genestas, Hyacinths, Tulips and Daffodils, with some others. All these were grown especially for this store, and they're all in bloom now.

You will find the prices quite as attractive as the flowers themselves. We like to do things *differently* from other people, so we have made some changes in the prevailing figures on such plants, by lowering them materially from those to which you are accustomed. Here's an outline of them:

EASTER LILIES—Fine specimen plants, $3 each; three-stalk plants, 10 to 15 blooms, at $2 each; one-stalk plants, at 90c.
AZALEAS—From 90c. to $15 each. Excellent assortment.
HYDRANGEAS—Splendid plants in full bloom, 90c. to $3.
SPIREA—65c. each.
ROSE BUSHES—In pots, five kinds, 90c to $7.50; Magna Charta, Bruner, Carnot, Lang, Rambler.
GENESTAS—90c. to $4.
HYACINTHS—$1.50 a pair; 12 to 14 bulbs.
TULIPS—50c. per pot; $1.50 a pair, 12 to 14 bulbs.
DAFFODILS—90c. per pot, 12 to 14 bulbs.

Reversing Cotton Conditions

It's the every day way of selling cotton dress stuffs, to ask high prices when the goods are in demand, and to gradually drop the figures as the season progresses. If you'll read this through, you will find that we have partially reversed this order by offering our low prices *first*. It's only a partial reversal, because the higher prices will not follow later.

Here are September figures on some new, fresh and pretty cottons, at the very beginning of the season.

6c. Shirt waist Cambrics, at 4c.; in pretty well covered patterns that won't need laundering as often as goods with white grounds.
10c. and 12 1-2c. Printed Lawns, at 7c.; in floral designs and conventional figures; printing done on three kinds of cloth—plain, ombre striped and figured spiral stripes.
12½c. yard wide Standard Percales, at 10c.; in all the new striped and plaid designs that make up into such natty shirt waists.
9c. Dress Ginghams, at 6 1-4c.; a great variety of designs in checks, broken plaids and stripes.
50 French Dotted Swisses, at 37 1-2c.; in two sizes of dots of white on black.
WITH THESE, TWO NEW COTTONS—Striped Cotton Crepon that retains its crinkles, printed in dainty floral designs on an ecru ground; at 18c. yd.
Check dimity, from Ireland, in a great variety of small designs, so suitable for children's wear; at 25c. yd.

Wardrobes Many Kinds. IN this new and immense stock are more than fifty styles, ranging in price from $9 to $140. They are of oak, curly birch, bird's-eye maple and mahogany; well made, and highly polished. A good assortment of single-door wardrobes in the lot, appropriate for small apartments. Owners of summer hotels contemplating the purchase of new furniture, will find it profitable to come here. Mention of the more popular sorts below:

At $9—Of oak; 7 ft. high, 34 in. wide, 16 in. deep; 1 large door with fancy shaped panel; 1 large drawer; shelf inside; carved top, panel ends and front.
At $10—Of oak; 6 ft. 4 in. high, 33 in. wide, 16 in. deep; single door; carved top; one large drawer; panel ends and front.
At $12.50—Of oak; 6 ft. 6 in. high, 40 in. wide, 18 in. deep; double doors; panel ends and front.
At $14—Of oak; 8 ft. high, 3 ft. 8 in. wide, 18 in. deep; double doors; 2 large drawers; shelf inside; carved top; panel ends and front.
At $16—Of oak; 8 ft. high, 4 ft. wide, 18 in. deep; 2 large drawers; shelf inside; carved top.
At $16—Of oak; 7 ft. high, 36 in. wide, 18 in. deep; single door with bevel plate mirror 20x30; 1 large drawer; carved top; panel ends and front.
At $22—Of oak; 8 ft. high, 36 in. wide, 22 in. deep; 1 large door with fancy French bevel plate mirror 18x38; a large drawer with cast brass handles; carved top.

Fourth floor.

Silk Petticoats. THE latest effects; and they're very pretty, too. Make your selection while the assortment is complete. We've got one sort at $5 that you'll say is a very good quality at that price. It's of Roman stripe taffeta, made with a percaline lined Spanish flounce, with narrow ruffle below, and three rows of cording above. Others up to $75. Variety enough, surely. A half-dozen items below, only as suggestions:

At $6.75—Of changeable taffeta; deep Spanish corded flounce, lined with percaline and bound with velveteen.
At $7.50—Of changeable taffeta; umbrella ruffle; skirt extender and dust ruffle.
At $8—Extra quality changeable taffeta; corded umbrella ruffle; dust ruffle and skirt extender.
At $9—Of changeable taffeta; nine-inch ruffle with rows of stitching; also dust ruffle and skirt extender; French back.
At $10.50—Of changeable taffeta; Spanish flounce with five narrow ruffles; dust ruffle and skirt extender.
At $12.50—Of changeable taffeta; umbrella ruffle with two plaited ruffles; dust ruffle and extender.

Second floor, Fourth avenue.

Hosiery and Underwear Particulars. THE very first item in the special list which the hosiery people have prepared for today's selling is a *half-price* offer. The others press it closely in many cases. You will really have to see the goods to know what exceptional values they are.

WOMEN'S HOSIERY
At 12 1-2c. pair—Fast black cotton; high spliced heels and double soles; the usual 25c. kind.
3 pairs for 50c.—Fancy lisle thread and cotton hose; black boots, plaid and striped tops, vertical silk stripes and embroidered fronts; fast black cotton with white polka dots; fast black cotton, all black and unbleached feet; have double soles and high spliced heels; were 3 pairs for $1.12.

MEN'S HALF HOSE
At 25c. pair—29 lines, remarkable values, consisting of plaids, stripes, embroidered fronts and printed effects, fine cotton.

WOMEN'S VESTS
At 12 1-2c. each—White ribbed lisle thread, elastic, with plain and fancy trimmed necks; value 25c.
At 25c. each—Fine lisle thread; ribbed, full sizes with plain and lace trimmed necks.
At 3 for $1—Richelieu ribbed; silk mixed; in cream, pink and blue; soft and elastic. Unusual value.

MEN'S UNDERWEAR
Fine fancy French cashmere shirts and drawers, proper weight for this season; 4 different lines in stripes and dots; prices were $2, $3.50 and $3.75. Reduced to $1.50 the garment.

Selling on all the above will not begin until 9 A. M.
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Bicycle Suits for Boys. THIS is the most complete stock to be found in New York. Sounds like an every-day statement, doesn't it? But it isn't the every-day statement, because it's *true*.

We are not of those who believe that a boy can wear "anything," just because he's a boy. Our boys' clothing is as carefully selected, as correctly cut and as well put together as our men's suits. And there's just as much choice offered. These bicycle suits are cases in point. Late materials; handsome, well-fitting, with extension cuff. Sizes 8 to 16 years,

$5, $6, $6.50, $8.50

Larger sizes, up to 19 years,

$6, $6.50, $7.50, $9.

Second floor, Fourth avenue.

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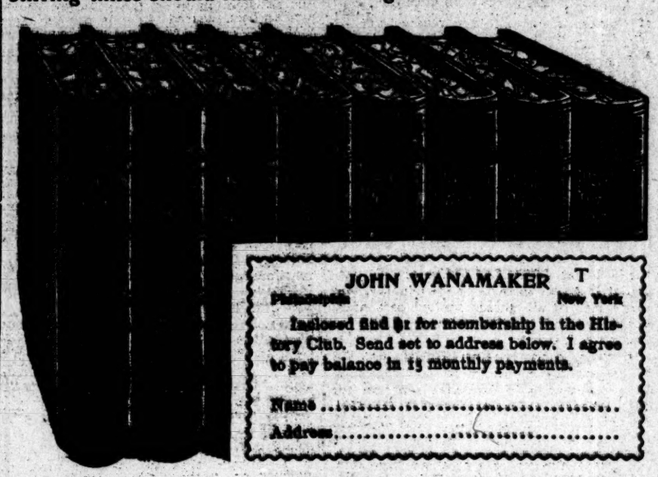

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CLARA BARTON'S SUMMONS

Government Wanted to Consult Her Regarding Relief Action in Event of War.

RELIEF SUPPLIES ARE SAFE

Should Hostilities Begin the Red Cross Flag Will Prevent Their Confiscation — Dr. Lesser's Field Staff Ready.

It was learned yesterday at the offices of the Cuban Central Relief Committee that the real reason for Miss Clara Barton leaving Cuba for this country three weeks ago was that she had been called to the United States by the State Department for consultation regarding the mustering of the American Red Cross forces for service in this country and Cuba in case of war. It was thought by the public at the time that Miss Barton had left her work among the Cuban reconcentrados as a result of a misunderstanding between herself and Dr. Louis Klopsch, a member of the Relief Committee, regarding the Red Cross methods of distributing supplies.

Chairman Stephen E. Barton of the Relief Committee said yesterday that previous to Miss Barton's return to this country the Red Cross was charged simply with the distribution of supplies, assisting Consul General Lee. The work of collecting and forwarding the supplies was entirely in the hands of the State Department, represented by the Relief Committee and Gen. Lee.

"The Government realized that in the event of war these supplies would not only be liable to seizure and confiscation by the Spaniards," said Mr. Barton, "but the immense stores already in Havana awaiting distribution would certainly be seized upon to feed the Spanish soldiers. Miss Barton was therefore called here, and the entire system of receiving, storing, and distributing provisions and clothing was placed in the hands of the Red Cross Society. In case war should begin to-morrow we have arranged to place the Red Cross flag over our relief storehouses in Cuba, and the relief ship that is to be chartered by us will also fly the flag. By the international treaty respecting the Red Cross Society, to which Spain is a party, the relief work in Cuba thus protected will go steadily on, even though the two countries should be at war. Although Spain was one of the original sixteen nations who committed themselves to the original treaty, at the Red Cross Convention at Geneva in 1884, her national society has thus far done no work as a body in Cuba. Gen. Blanco and many other high officials are members, however, and it is to be presumed that the relief system would not be interfered with during a war. If Havana were invested, the store of provisions for the relief of the reconcentrados might sorely tempt the Spanish soldiers to loot, but a single act of depredation upon the Red Cross warehouses would call forth the condemnation, if not the active intervention, of other powers parties to the treaty."

Miss Barton, who left Tampa last night for Havana, was actively engaged while here in gathering the resources of the Red Cross Society for hospital work in the field. It was stated at the offices of the Cuban Relief Committee yesterday that a full corps of surgeons and trained nurses had been selected, and are now holding themselves in readiness for a call to service. Dr. A. S. Lesser of the society, who returned from Havana last Wednesday, it was announced, has already secured his staff and equipment for field work. He has been appointed Surgeon General.

There is no cessation in the steady stream of contributions which has poured into the Relief Committee's hands since its formation. Advices were received yesterday that the second section of the Oregon donation, consisting of seven carloads of provisions, had left Portland. Two carloads are en route from Atlanta. A large shipment was received from Newport, and smaller shipments from at least a score of towns in all parts of the country. Nearly $2,000 has already been subscribed toward the chartering of a vessel to carry supplies from New York and New Jersey to Cuba.

A MOVE TO GAIN TIME.

Spain's Evasive Reply to the United States So Regarded. It Is Said.

LONDON, April 5.—The Paris correspondent of the Daily Mail says:

"I learn on excellent authority that the Spanish reply to President McKinley is regarded as a move to gain time and to avoid replying directly to the American ultimatum. Spain will now load the means of yielding, while saving her face."

MERCHANTS DISCUSS WAR.

Two Opposing Resolutions Offered and Referred to a Committee for Report To-morrow.

The first annual meeting of the Merchants and Manufacturers' Board of Trade of New York was held yesterday at 241 Fifth Avenue. After the transaction of routine business Edmond R. Lyons offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, That this board extend to the President its heartiest commendation upon his statesmanlike policy, careful prudence, and sage guidance in the pending controversy between Spain and this country; and it is our hope and wish that his counsel will be followed and upheld by the legislative body of the United States now in session at Washington; and be it further

Resolved, That we look with alarm upon any encroachment upon his prerogative, and trust Congress will not force a war upon this country unless all honorable means, diplomatic or otherwise, have been exhausted.

In discussing the resolution President C. C. Shayne said:

"We have been playing into the hands of Spain within the last two months. I believe the President has erred in the pacific policy which he has adopted thus far. I believe in his patriotism as much as any man, but I do not believe in his advisers. I believe he has not the best advisers in Washington. Is there an occasion for war? I claim there is. We, as a Nation, have stood by long enough and allowed a tyrannical Government to abuse, lash, and whip innocent people and drive them like cattle into a cabin to starve. I claim that that is sufficient for this country to warrant it in demanding that Spain cease. Let Spain cease her continuance of such a policy, and if she does not do so peacefully compel her to do so by the strength of the Nation's strong right arm. The money changers of Wall Street and London cannot control this country.

"Is there a man in the entire country today who does not believe that the Maine was blown up and 266 lives sacrificed? Spain knows it, and Spain's guilty knowledge has been exposed through Wayler's letter. Our duty in this present crisis is to call upon the President to say to Spain: 'Withdraw your army from Cuba, pay us $10,000,000 for the loss of the Maine, and give us an answer within fifteen days.'"

J. A. Heckman, Secretary of the board, offered the following substitute for the resolutions introduced by Mr. Lyons, and on his motion both sets of resolutions were referred to the National Legislative Committee, with instructions to report to-morrow:

Resolved, That we are opposed to any continuance of the present diplomatic negotiations, which are based upon a false assumption of right, and which cannot fail to lead to an ignominous failure.

Resolved, That we are in favor of the recognition of the Cuban insurgents as belligerents, with all rights thereby implied.

Resolved, That, believing that the destruction of the Maine was an act of war, the United States Congress is hereby requested to take the necessary and proper action as provided by the Constitution of the United States.

The following officers were elected for the current year: President—C. C. Shayne; Second Vice President—R. M. Walters; Secretary—J. A. Heckman; Treasurer—William H. Lent. James Talcott was elected First Vice President, but declined to serve, saying that his business engagements would not permit it.

PRESIDENT DWIGHT'S APPROVAL

Yale Educators Favor a Settlement Without War.

NEW HAVEN, April 4.—President Dwight of Yale University sent the following telegram to President McKinley this evening:

"To His Excellency the President of the United States:

"After conference with members of the several Faculties here, I feel authorized respectfully to assure you that Yale University regards with cordial satisfaction the efforts which you are making to settle our difficulties with Spain without a resort to war, and on terms just and honorable to both nations. "TIMOTHY DWIGHT,
"President of Yale University."

Peace Message from Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, April 4.—At a meeting of the Board of Trade to-day resolutions were adopted favoring the principle of non-intervention by the United States in the affairs of other nations, and requesting President McKinley to continue further his efforts to secure a peaceable settlement of the difficulties.

Bids to Build Chicago Post Office.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Bids were today opened at the Treasury Department for furnishing granite and erecting the superstructure of the Post Office at Chicago. Fifteen bids were submitted, that of John Peirce of New York City for $1,987,000 being the lowest.

The Katahdin Under Sealed Orders.

PHILADELPHIA, April 4.—Orders from Secretary Long reached the League Island Navy Yard to-day for the ram Katahdin to leave the yard as soon as she could be made ready. Commander Wilde, who has charge of the ram, was directed to sail for the open sea without a definite destination, and this order was accompanied with sealed orders which are not to be opened till deep water is reached. It is believed the Katahdin will be ready to sail by Thursday.

CUBANS AND AN ARMISTICE

They Would Accept It Only as a Precursor to the Recognition of Their Independence.

SPANISH TROOPS MUST LEAVE

A Statement Attributed to Col. J. J. McCook and Discredited—Senator Lodge Not a Peace Man at This Juncture.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—It was learned from the highest authority that the Administration was informed to-day that the Republican Government of Cuba would not accept any scheme of autonomy, and that it would agree to an armistice with Spain only upon the conditions, first, that it should be clearly understood that Cuban independence would be recognized immediately, or at the close of the armistice; and second, that the United States would guarantee the carrying out on the part of Spain of the first condition.

The armistice, in view of the Cuban Government, should be for no other reason than the making of arrangements for the withdrawal of the Spanish troops, and for the protection of Spanish citizens on the island. This is not the kind of armistice that has been suggested in the various plans attributed to the President, Col. J. J. McCook of New York, and others. It is, however, the only kind of armistice, according to the emphatic assertions of the Republican Government of Cuba, that the revolutionists are willing to consider in what they regard as the successful condition of their struggle with Spain.

A prominent Senator, who called at the Navy Department to-day, said that, no matter what the President's message may be, the majority of the Senate and of the House would be found to favor the immediate recognition and guarantee of the independence of Cuba. The department regards this as an assurance that forcible intervention must follow in a few days, and that forcible intervention can mean nothing short of war.

Story Attributed to Col. McCook.

The statement was given out at the White House to-day, in a manner that made it seem semi-official at least, that Col. McCook had said that he was the representative of the Cubans as well as their best friend, and that he knew that they were willing to accept an armistice looking toward a scheme of autonomy that would be broader and more liberal than the present programme of Spain.

As this was exactly along the lines of the President's supposed policy of last week, it soon became current, and was repeated about the White House as having received the President's indorsement. It has been also intimated that it had materially affected Mr. McKinley's attitude and had led him to modify the message to Congress that he is to send in Wednesday morning.

Col. McCook, according to the statement as reiterated about the President's office, said that the Cubans were anxious for a suspension of hostilities in order to consider terms of peace along the lines of a suzerainty or Canadian autonomy, and they would be glad to have the President's good offices toward this end. He added, according to the same statement, that the 150,000 reconcentrados, a large part of whom is composed of women and children, are starving to death, and that war at this juncture would complete their ruin, and that with three armies, that of the United States, that of Spain, and that of Cuba, fighting in the island, there would be nothing left but a waste when peace was reached.

These were almost identically the same statements that had been made on Saturday by a representative of vested interests in Cuba, but they were so emphatically given out to-day from the White House that they caused something of a sensation, as they seemed to put the entire Cuban situation in a new aspect.

Business Circles Not Afraid of War.

As soon, however, as it was learned that the statements had been taken quite seriously they were repudiated, and it was said in correction that Col. McCook had not called at the White House at all, and that the statements sent out from there had been casually heard on the streets as attributed to Col. McCook. It was positively denied that the President had anything to do with the matter, had not commented on the report of Col. McCook's views, and was still firmly intrenched on the position taken up by him last Saturday, as fully reported in THE NEW YORK TIMES of Sunday; and so the rumor with its sensation fell to the ground.

Col. McCook did call at the Navy Department, however, but made no statement of this nature while there. According to indisputable authority, he was not in a peaceful frame of mind on the Cuban question. He said that the reconcentrados would suffer whether war is declared or an armistice granted, or if the state of half war and rapine continues, but he did not subscribe to the doctrine of peace at any price. It was understood in the department that he held the view of the best element of the business world, that peace would be desirable if it can be obtained in an honorable and otherwise satisfactory way, but that it is not desirable if it must be obtained in any way that will bring discredit upon the courage or the humanitarian sentiment of this country.

It was said that he believes that peace is not indispensable to the United States. He was accompanied by Senator Lodge, who is not a peace man, in this juncture. It is understood, also, that Senator Lodge expressed similar views. The impression the visit of these gentlemen left upon the Navy Department was that the business circles of the country are not so opposed to war as they have been represented to be, but that they prefer war to a retreat at this stage, when retreat would have on it some of the stains of cowardice or inhumanity.

ARMISTICE FOR SPANIARDS.

Blanco and the Autonomists May Declare It Without Consulting the Enemy—Rubens on Dr. Klopsch.

According to advices received in the city yesterday, the appeal of the Autonomist Government to the insurgents for an armistice will be followed by a decree of the Captain General and the Autonomist Government declaring an armistice without regard to the insurgents. Just how an armistice could be made effective without the consent of the enemy was not made apparent, but that such was the intention of the officials in Havana, it was said, would be made known in a day or two, when the decree would be published in the Gaceta Oficial.

Regarding the appeal to the insurgents, a member of the Junta in this city said yesterday: "It is merely a proclamation that cannot possibly reach the insurgents in the field. It will be published and posted, but ignored. The officials at Washington will know how to measure the significance of this move on the part of the Spaniards, because they know at Washington that the members of the Autonomist Cabinet are but the puppets of Blanco. It is really a manifesto issued by the Spanish Captain General, who presumes to address the insurgents as fellow-Cubans over the names of those same puppets. They would not dare to seek a personal conference with the Cuban Generals for the purpose of discussing an armistice, because they know that the insurgents will listen to no proposition but absolute independence, and have given warning that the fate of a spy and a traitor awaits any one who becomes the bearer of other overtures. They have not forgotten the fate of Ruiz."

Horatio S. Rubens, when spoken to in regard to the appeal for an armistice, said: "The Cubans will reject any proposition that does not provide for independence as a preliminary to other steps. The Spaniards tried to force autonomy on us by means of military operations. They signally failed. Then they tried bribery on a large scale to attain the same object, but without avail. "There would appear to be nothing more which they could do to dissuade the Cubans from fighting for absolute independence. If Spain now declares an armistice, it would simply strengthen the Cubans in their conviction that Spain's rule in Cuba is at an end; that she is exhausted, beaten, but yet with her usual diplomatic bad faith would try to turn defeat into victory.

"The declaration of an armistice by Spain would be the acknowledgment of the belligerency of the Cubans, and consequently of the strength of the revolution which they denied."

Mr. Rubens was asked if the Junta had any statement to make concerning the utterances recently attributed to Dr. Klopsch. He replied:

"If this country takes the statement of Dr. Klopsch, who associated only with Spaniards while he was in Cuba, instead of the statements made by the Senators who made tours of inspection and the Consular officers, we should be very much surprised."

Asked what he thought of the prediction also attributed to Dr. Klopsch of the dire consequences of turning the island over to the insurgents, Mr. Rubens in replying intimated that from one whose perspective in the observation of facts was as at variance with that of others who had gone to Cuba for ocular evidence, too much should not be expected in the way of prophesy.

"As for the Cubans," he said, "we are practical men, and have no imagination. We know that a people capable of sustaining a war for three years and keeping up a discipline in the army which is wonderful, when you remember that the men are fighting purely from patriotism, and without any pay and under the worst possible conditions, who have had abroad, prior to and during the revolution, an organization which has stood together as one man for the common cause, and among whom the majority of the educated people were educated in the Republic of France and in this country; such a people, we know, should be capable of governing themselves. At any rate, if they could not get along under republican government, they will not be able to govern themselves under the most liberal form of autonomy as proposed by Spain.

"The result of Mr. Klopsch's observation, therefore, is that Cuba must be left to the tender mercies of the Spanish Government, which is incapable of administering political justice at home, much less to her colonies."

Dr. Louis Klopsch has issued a statement denying certain remarks that had been attributed to him concerning his visit to Washington. He denies that he went to see the President with a "peace-at-any-price" object, and says his meeting with Mr. McKinley was wholly at the suggestion of Assistant Secretary Day.

The published statement that he declared autonomy in Cuba to be a success, he says, is unfounded. Dr. Klopsch says that a fair trial of autonomy is favored by the conservative element in Cuba, which looks upon the experiment hopefully. He says that in the event of war the reconcentrados would be the first to suffer.

THE AUTONOMISTS' MANIFESTO.

Appeal to All Bearing Arms in Cuba to Cease Hostilities and Consider How to Secure Peace.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The home-rule Government of Cuba, through the Cuban Cabinet, of which Premier Galvez is the head, to-day issued a manifesto appealing to all those bearing arms in Cuba, insurgents as well as Spaniards, by mutual consent and understanding to cease hostilities and consider a re-establishment of peace on a strong and firm basis. The manifesto will appear in an extraordinary issue of the Official Gazette, probably to-day, explaining the benefits of home rule, declaring that the Colonial Constitution may be reformed on broad lines, and making a patriotic call for the celebration of peace, after a previous understanding and mutual consent.

One of the paragraphs of the manifesto says:

"The provisional Government ardently desires, as facts prove, that all Cubans, with no exception whatever, should unite in the noble and wise undertaking of restoring peace and harmony upon a strong and enduring basis. The provisional Government, by its own inspiration and also as a faithful interpreter of the warm wishes of the Government of the mother country, addresses itself to the Cubans who are in the field, fighting to attain what in reality has been attained, the triumph of right and justice, with perfect assurance of future improvement, and for the orderly and rising development of all the resources and elements of society.

"Let the noise of arms cease. Let us shake hands. Let us embrace each other warmly as brothers of the Cuban country, regenerated by sacrifice; let us work unitedly to make the Cuban people great, powerful, prosperous. Let us, we sons of Cuba, come to a frank and loyal understanding to deliberate calmly and resolve rightly on the best means to reach by common accord, peace without dishonor to any one, and with honor for all. Let us suspend hostilities in order to hear the voice of patriotism between brothers equally interested in the fate of Cuba.

"The provisional Government comes forward to take the initiative to attain the high ends that have been enumerated, solemnly offering every assurance and always relying on the approbation of the Government of the mother country."

CUBANS WILL NOT COMPROMISE.

No Armistice Until Their Independence Is Recognized, Says Quesada.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Senor Quesada, representing the Cuban Junta in Washington, said to-day:

"The Cubans will never consent to an armistice until their independence is recognized. Until that time they will not cease fighting. When independence is recognized the Cubans will consent to an armistice for the settlement of the conditions in the island."

This statement was made in reply to a query as to what the Cubans would do with regard to the recent appeal by the Cuban autonomist Cabinet.

HAVANA MAN SAYS NO WAR.

Spain, He Asserts, Will Withdraw Peaceably in May—English Active in Investments.

Acting on information received from a prominent business man of Havana, who has large interests in Cuba, James C. Holden, President of the National Safe Deposit Company, has been endeavoring for some weeks to form a syndicate to buy up sugar estates in Cuba, from which, so Mr. Holden's informant writes, there is bound in time to be a fortune realized, and which can now be purchased very cheaply. So far Mr. Holden has met with no success. He anticipated none, as investors, he says, are very shy of Cuban property while affairs are in their present unsettled condition.

The letters of the Havana merchant assert, however, that war is not a probability, and Mr. Holden says that his correspondent is in a position to know whereof he writes. In a letter to Mr. Holden, sent from Havana on March 16 last, his correspondent says:

Referring to the present political situation, I can say that there is no foundation in war talk. Matters here will be arranged to the satisfaction of the United States without the firing of a gun either by Spain or the United States, all the reports of strained relations notwithstanding.

In a letter written on March 23, Mr. Holden's correspondent says:

In regard to the situation here I reiterate that Spain, after a show of resistance, will give in to the United States and leave the island. Such is a pre-arranged affair between Washington and Madrid. All indications here point that way.

As I plainly indicated before, Uncle Sam is to have his own way in all respects, and Spain will be compelled to evacuate this island on or about the middle of May. Such will be brought about without any war. English capitalists, whose representatives are now here, have been buying up about fifteen cigar factories, big and little, and have deposited with a foreign banking house £100,000, about 12½ per cent. of the total purchase price. This happened twelve days ago. Another syndicate acquired about 500 square miles of land for £50,000, and so it goes, and we who have the best chances in the world are letting our opportunities slip. What a pity it is to have to record such a dismal tale.

The final letter from the Havana man was received yesterday, after Mr. Holden had written that buyers were shy and the formation of a syndicate now not possible. It says:

I regret that you do not seem to take my suggestions about forming a syndicate as suggested in my report of the 16th inst. It is really astonishing that so many brilliant chances are allowed to pass by without being utilized by people in the States. Well, what is their loss is England's gain. Many of their representatives are active just now, as explained in the previous letters.

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Gimbel Brothers, Milwaukee, Wis.; O. Greenwald, notions; 377 Broadway; Broadway Central Hotel.
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Hirsh, Frank, & Co., Philadelphia, Penn.; H. Frank, piece goods; Grand Hotel.
Johnston-Fife Hat Company, St. Joseph, Mo.; J. A. Johnston, hats and caps; Grand Hotel.
Jones & Audette, Jamestown, N. Y.; C. H. Jones, notions and furnishing goods; Hoffman House.
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Quackenbush Goa Company, Troy, N. Y.; S. B. Coupland, laces and embroideries; St. Denis Hotel.
Beatman, Burger & Co., Baltimore, Md.; C. Burger, woolens; Hotel Marlborough.
Reid & Hughes, Waterbury, Conn.; G. W. Kimball, dress goods, silks, and velvets; 52 Franklin Street; Murray Hill Hotel.
Robinson, A. M., & Co., Atlanta, Ga.; J. D. Robinson, notions, laces, furnishing goods, and linens; Hotel Imperial.
Saul, Julius, Albany, N. Y.; L. J. Saul, clothing; Hotel Cadillac.
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Simon, L. B., Pittsfield, Mass.; clothing; Broadway Central Hotel.
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A FLOOD OF PEACE PETITIONS.

They Pour In on Congressmen in Response to Senator Hanna's Circulars. It Is Said.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The telegraph companies have been doing a rushing business to-day delivering dispatches to Senators and Representatives, imploring them to stand by the President in his endeavor to bring the Spanish-Cuban trouble to a close without the horror of war. Senator Foraker had received at noon about 175 of these dispatches. All of these Monday morning importations are about alike. They came from persons, corporations, Boards of Trade, stock brokers, speculators of all kinds, ministers, promoters—in short, all classes of citizens.

There has been some consultation of the recipients of the addresses. Committees of three Senators and Members about the size of their envied list to an inquiry as to how the country came to be seized with the desire, on this fourth day of April, to spend so much money in telegraph tolls. Some of those who have inquired have come to the conclusion that Senator Hanna yesterday or earlier sent from Washington, through a bureau organized hastily for the purpose, requests for the responses which have flooded the city almost as completely as the fog which spread itself over the low level of Shawsecktown. Senator Foraker had received rather more than his share of the telegrams laughed so he turned them over to note the similarity of the expressions employed.

"I find," said he, "a good many dispatches that come from gentlemen who are engaged in selling and buying stocks. They have nothing to say that is derogatory of the stock business, but it offends me to have speculators of that sort send to me to ask that I continue indefinitely the agitation in order that the stock business may thrive. I suppose that my friends who sell and buy gold bricks would much prefer to have the Congress go on threatening war instead of having war and then a settlement that will pay stocks and everything else. The man who agitated the House and the Senate with this bugaboo of 'canned petitions' may find that he has produced an effect contrary to his intention."

THE SHAWNEETOWN FLOOD

Believed that One Hundred Persons Lost Their Lives in the Rush of Waters.

SCENES OF DESOLATION

A Telephone Operator Gave Warning of the Approaching Waters and Escaped with His Instruments —Relief for Starving People.

RIDGEWAY, Ill., April 4.—The latest news from Shawneetown shows that the first reports of the flood were exaggerated. It is believed that the death list will not exceed 100, and may not run over 50. The lighting plant was destroyed, and in the flickering gaze of lanterns and electric lights from the steamers the search in the town for bodies is made.

The Mayor of the town has telephoned to neighboring towns that a quarter of the population has been lost. The towns along the Ohio River and in the immediate vicinity of Shawneetown have responded liberally with supplies, and there are now half a dozen boats en route to the town with provisions and clothing, while Gov. Tanner has sent a special train from Springfield with emergency rations and beds and clothing for 2,000 people, which will greatly alleviate the sufferings of the people. The train was given the right of way from Springfield to as close a point as possible to Shawneetown.

Sunday was a beautiful day, and hundreds of people were along the levees that are built at the north and south ends of the town and as a result many escaped death. Many of those who perished turned back at the first alarm in an effort to save valuables in the house.

There are scores of stories told of heroic deeds. One man was seen on the roof of his house, but slipped off into the flood in an effort to rescue a woman who was clinging to a part of a house.

Another man was safe on a section of a roof and leaped off to rescue a baby. He saved the child, but was lost himself. At the first alarm hundreds ran for the boats tied up at the wharf and for the levee and high hills back of the town, never stopping to gather up household goods or valuables, and escaped.

Telephone Manager Gave Warning.

George Benneker, the manager of the Cumberland Telephone Company, when he looked out of the window and saw the flood coming, telephoned to Mount Vernon that the town was doomed, and then escaped. The cry that the north levee had broken was spread with lightning rapidity through the town. The noise caused by the break was heard for miles.

Those who acted promptly and ran for safety escaped, but the majority of those who did not heed the warning and hesitated were lost. To-night water stands over nearly every foot of the town, the business section being under from ten to twenty feet, and other sections to three and four feet.

The entire business section of the city, it is believed, has been ruined, as in many of the stores the water is above the counters and in others it has reached the ceiling and is pouring into the upper floors.

The town had just purchased a mammoth pump in St. Louis, and this led many to believe that there was no danger of the levee, which cost $350,000, giving way, although the river was very high.

The rush of water was stopped when it got to the south levee and the town began to fill. Men, women, and children fled for their lives. Four feet of the front levee remained out of water. To this slight hope for life clung humans and animals, all fighting for a foothold. The Court House, bank building, and Riverside Hotel soon filled with people.

The Riverside to-night is a refuge for 400 women and children. Not a pound of provisions has been saved, and very little furniture, the town being surrounded by a levee. All bodies will be recovered when the water recedes.

Sunday School Children Escaped.

A line of big hills rises a mile back from the town. To this rushed the people in tears. Some reached the hills, many did not. To see anxious ones seeking those whom they will not find until the waters give up the dead is far more pitiful than words can describe.

The rain came to a stand yesterday and lacked three feet and over of reaching the top. The river coming to a stand, and reports of the river falling all the way above, augmented by a beautiful day, led every one to feel secure.

The Sunday schools had just let out, and most of the children were walking on the levee. But for this fact a hundred children would have gone down to a watery grave.

After his first escape, Manager Benecker of the telephone company secured a boat and fought his way through the torrent to the foot hills with his instruments, and tapped the wire to Mount Vernon, Ind., and Evansville, which he notified as well as he could of the extent of the terrible calamity. Mayor Aiken of Evansville reported he had two boats.

Rescued Sixty-seven Persons.

Two thousand people are huddled on the levee and in the hotel to-night, and not a mouthful of food is in sight. The relief boats from Evansville are hourly expected. The force of water was so great that two-story frame houses were crushed like shells. Many people sought refuge in these frame buildings, because they were safe in other floods. The ferryboat and another small boat from Mount Vernon arrived here at 8 A. M. Frank Robinson and Marshal Prescott in a skiff rescued sixty-seven people from floating débris and saw many drowned. Cyrus Deveres rescued thirteen people, among them three little children.

Floating on a house roof, the father and mother had perished. City Marshal Weteran, from street to street, shouted for all to abandon their goods and go to the levee. Hundreds were saved by his emphatic way. At 8 o'clock to-night the steamers Isabel and Royal have arrived from Evansville with some provisions, but not near enough to feed the starving people. To add to the manifold horrors to-day a cold rain has blown from east from off the river. The people on the levee have no protection whatever.

Some of the Dead.

Among these known to be lost are:

Mrs. C. R. Galloway, Mayor Galloway, Dora Galloway, Mrs. Charles Clayton, Charles Clayton, M. Clayton, Jesse Clayton, Myrtle Clayton, Mrs. Paul Phelan, Mary Phelan, Gertie Clayton, Brownie Clayton, W. Callicott, Mrs. W. C. Callicott, Col. John Callicott, Henry McAllister, and Mary McAllister.

Noah Welch, Mrs. Noah Welch, Frank Morrison, Ellen McAllister, Ella Rineholt, Jennie Rineholt, Mrs. John Holly, Mrs. Ed Flick, John Flick and adopted daughter, Mrs. Fred Rineholt, Caroline Spalding, Richard Fletcher.

Cypress Junction is almost surrounded by water, which has overflowed the banks of the Wabash and is covering the entire country. The overflow from the broken dike at Shawneetown has backed up two miles inland, but is to-night slowly receding.

Father Buckman Rang a Church Bell.

Mrs. Harriet Dumont was one of the arrivals to-night from the flooded district. Mrs. Dumont, in company with a friend, was walking along the levee at the time the break occurred. She said:

"It was about 4:25 in the afternoon when we were startled by hearing the bells of the churches clanging. People began running in all directions, and somebody shouted that the levee had broken. We ran to my friend's home and went up stairs. Within ten minutes the water came pouring down the street, and within twenty minutes more it had risen almost to the second floor of the house. My friend's husband then came to us with a skiff and took us to the Riverside Hotel. The first alarm was given by Father Buckman, who began ringing the bell of the Church of the Immaculate Conception."

The lower portions of Carmi, Ill., on the Wabash River, is entirely flooded. The water reaches half way to the second stories of the houses.

Gov. Tanner this afternoon started from Springfield 100 tents, blankets enough for 300 people and a sufficient amount of prepared food for the immediate relief of 1,200 people. He also wired W. S. Phillips, President of the Gallatin County Bank here, to draw upon him for $3,000 as an immediate contribution. Gov. Tanner has issued a proclamation to the public to send in relief in care of Mr. Phillips at this place. The Odd Fellows and Masonic lodges are supervising the distribution of supplies.

All the carpenters in Ridgeway fell to making flat boats this morning, and an impromptu ferry has been established. The backwater is a mile wide at the crossing point, the river being seven miles wide. The Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern tracks are under five feet of water for five miles north of Cypress Junction.

Many Negroes Unable to Escape.

Edward Flake, whose wife was drowned to-day, said there were fifteen people in his house when the flood struck the building. Only himself and one other succeeded in escaping. Mr. Flake was hysterical from grief and could not give the names of the thirteen who were lost. Marsh Callicutt, the son of W. Callicutt, who perished, made a heroic effort to save his parents.

He secured a rowboat and got within forty feet of the home where his mother and father were imprisoned, but the swift current prevented him from coming nearer. The parents stood in the yard, in water to their armpits, awaiting the arrival of the boat. Suddenly a wave swept them into the current, and they were drowned before their son's eyes.

George Harrietson, a merchant, seized his little grand-daughter when the water struck his store, and, holding her above his head, waded, armpit deep, toward higher ground. A boat picked them both out of the water. David Rookendoffer and wife were in their home directly in the path of the huge wave that swept through the broken dike. Their little son in the yard saw the wave coming and hurriedly climbed a tree.

The father and mother had time to rush up stairs before the house was swept from its foundations. They climbed to the roof as the house floated off, and heard their little son in the tree crying, "Good-bye, papa and mamma." The agonized parents were powerless to go to his assistance, and in a few moments the house had been carried beyond the reach of the boy's voice. They floated from the north levee to the south levee, the distance of a mile, and were taken off in safety. The little boy was subsequently rescued. Mr. Rookendoffer said that as he floated down the current on the house top he saw people drowning on all sides.

The colored quarter of the city was completely inundated. It is believed that a large number of colored people perished, as the ground was flooded in a twinkling, and to-night the water is twenty-five feet deep in that locality. Every means is used to provide food and shelter for the hundreds of homeless refugees. Last night all buildings situated on high ground were crowded. Hundreds are to-night sleeping on the river banks under such rude shelter as they can construct.

Loss of Life in the Bottoms.

PADUCAH, Ky., April 4.—According to news received here to-night Shawneetown was not the only point that suffered from the bursting of the levee. The water has spread over a wide area of farming country above and below Shawneetown, doing incalculable damage and causing, it is said, some loss of life in the bottoms. The names of the victims in the country could not be learned. Boats loading for up-river points to-morrow will carry many from this city who have friends and relatives in Shawneetown.

It is impossible to get a correct list of the dead. Great uneasiness and distress exists here. A relief meeting will be held at once in Paducah, and a fund subscribed for the benefit of the sufferers at Shawneetown. Already volunteer subscriptions are being made.

TALE OF AN EYE-WITNESS.

A River Sailor Saves Himself with Others on a Wharf Boat and Sees the Flood.

PADUCAH, Ky., April 4.—When death swept into ill-starred Shawneetown yesterday on the crest of a mighty flood, there were few who watched the progress of the monster that lived to tell the awful tale. But among the eye-witnesses who lived is Edward Walton, who has reached Paducah. Walton is a steamboat hand; he had left the packet at Shawneetown, and was spending an idle Sunday afternoon in that village when the levee broke. Possibly, of all those in Shawneetown, he had the clearest view of disaster.

Walton says a wall of water twenty feet high came without warning. The first intimation he had was when he heard a roaring behind him to the north, as he lounged along the bank of the main levee. Then he saw the yellow torrent coming. He declares that it looked like a low hill, the spreading waters forming the sloping sides, and the crest of the flood the top.

Walton was near the wharf boat. Realizing what had happened he ran for that vantage ground and reached its decks as the waters began to fill the streets and yards of the well-kept place. Hundreds residing in the front part of town were, like Warner, more fortunate than those living in the lower part. They caught an inkling of the oncoming disaster, and fear of an awful death gave them speed. Men, women, and children ran like deer. The big, clumsy wharf boat, anchored at the narrow landing, offered a place of refuge. The panic-stricken mob poured on board, and none too soon.

In a few moments the land they had left was submerged, but, safe for the time being upon their ark of salvation, they watched the destruction of their homes and the death of family, friends, and neighbors.

Walton assisted women and children on board the wharf boat; then he watched the hideous panorama that spread out below in this second Johnstown.

In less than fifteen minutes Shawneetown was lost. From where Walton stood he had a good view of the town. Once he passed through a cyclone on the Upper Mississippi, but he declared that its terrors were feeble compared to the power of the flood at Shawneetown yesterday. Big houses, stanchly built, were overturned and smaller ones were carried away. He saw one man slide off a floating roof to help a child which clung to some floating wreckage, and both perished before his eyes. Victims would run from their houses before the water reached them, but by the time they had traveled a few rods the waters would overtake them and then the end was speedy.

A few strong swimmers saved themselves, but some were engulfed in the huge wave. For the women and children and older persons there was no hope. One or two who gained some piece of drifting débris kept their heads above water for a little while, but most of them finally perished. Walton watched a mass of lumber from a millyard come right down the middle of a street with two young men upon it. When he looked again the timbers were scattered and the youths were gone.

"I never saw anything rise like that water," said he. "It seemed to me that it was hardly a minute before the flood was twenty feet deep and was up to the second story of houses down in the lower part of the town. A whole lot of people, I heard, were caught in a church and drowned before they got out of doors. The water ran down the streets swifter than any river channel I ever saw. I noticed a man start to climb out of a second-story window into a tree after he found that he could not run, but the water was right up around his feet in a second. He saved himself, but he had to move as fast as lightning."

Shawneetown, Ill.

Shawneetown is a post village and the county seat of Gallatin County, Ill. It is on the Ohio River, about 62 miles below Evansville and 162 miles by rail southeast of Springfield. It is the southeastern terminus of the Springfield Division of the Ohio and Mississippi Railroad, and is on the St. Lous and Southeastern Railroad. It contained a Court House, five churches, a National bank, a banking house, a large hotel, three newspaper offices, two steam grist mills, a foundry, a machine shop, and manufactures of wagons, staves, sash, blinds, &c. Coal was mined there, and there are lead deposits near the place. The population numbered about 2,000.

Haas-Salomon.

The wedding of Miss Hannah A. Salomon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Salomon Salomon of 228 East Sixty-eighth Street, and Abraham Haas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Haas of 105 East Sixty-fourth Street, took place at 6 P. M. yesterday in the Temple of Congregation B'nai Jeshurun, at Madison Avenue and Sixty-fifth Street. The Rev. Stephen S. Wise officiated, assisted by the Rev. Edward Kartschmarok. The edifice was beautifully decorated with lilies and roses, and a concert by an orchestra of twenty pieces preceded the ceremony. The maid of honor was Miss Elsie Salomon, the bride's sister. The bridesmaids were Miss Hannah Salomon, Miss Emily Haas, Miss Martha Haas, and Miss Weimer. Robert Schwartz was best man. The ushers included Herman Salomon, Richard Weil, Joseph Wolf, Samuel L. Felber, and David Weimer. A reception and wedding supper in Delmonico's large ballroom followed. The newly married couple received beneath a floral canopy. Mr. and Mrs. Haas will live in New Rochelle.

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CUBANS HEAR OF A PLAN

H. S. Rubens Protests Vigorously Against an Alleged Scheme of Intervention.

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Charged with Pushing a Proposition to Seize Cuba and Hold It for the Expenses of War and a Maine Indemnity.

The general tenor of reports from Washington yesterday were of such a nature as to cause great satisfaction among the crowds of Cubans who gathered in the waiting room at the headquarters of the Junta, in New Street. Yet there were evidences of high nervous tension, hinging on the prospective message of the President and the anticipation of what the week may bring forth.

It was not commonly known, however, among the Cubans that any question causing misgivings had arisen among their leaders. "Will Cuba be free?" is the question that has thus far brought forth only one answer from those in authority at the Junta. In the fight with Spain they have ever shown the utmost hope of the ultimate outcome, and in reply to all the reports of alleged propositions from this country to Spain looking to the pacification of the island without the proviso of independence first, they have invariably said that the United States could oring the Cubans to terms on such a basis only at the point of the bayonet, but that the people of this country would never ally themselves with the Spanish monarchy against an oppressed people, who were only following their own illustrious example.

In the armistice plan, as originally discussed, by which it was understood the United States Government was to use its influence to secure the agreement of the insurgents, the Junta saw only an attempt on the part of Spain to bring about an antagonism between the Cubans and Americans. It was not believed, however, that by any diplomatic arrangement which Spain could make the Cubans and the United States could be arrayed against each other. There is no fear now that Spain may accomplish such a result, but a new ground for apprehension has arisen.

Mr. Rubens Shows Feeling.

Horatio S. Rubens, counsel for the Junta, rarely displays an emotional side to his character, but he spoke with very evident feeling yesterday when he made the following statement:

"I am informed," said he, "on reliable authority that the financial element among the so-called 'peace-at-any-price' men, finding that action is inevitable on the Cuban question by the United States, now propose, that instead of recognizing the independence of Cuba and then intervening, the United States shall simply intervene, without recognition of independence, shall seize Cuba and hold the island to cover the expense of the war and an indemnity for the Maine. According to this plan a pretense will also be made of seizing the Philippines and Puerto Rico, but the real object will be either to force the Cubans to annexation with the United States, or to sell the island to the highest bidder, which would have to be Spain, since this Government has gone on record that under no circumstances will the United States tolerate the possession of Cuba by any other European power than Spain.

"It is intended to ignore absolutely the fact that the Cubans have not only for the last three years, but also from 1868 to 1878, fought for independence, and that they have made sacrifices of blood and money unequaled in the history of the world. These persons would now treat them, not like human beings with high political aspirations, but like cattle which pass as property with the title of the land.

Would Be an Unholy War.

"The President is quoted as saying that he would rather have his Administration go down in ignominy than to wage an unholy war. To come in at the eleventh hour and carry out this programme of the money-changers would be the most unholy war ever fought under the banner of a republic. Rather let the Cubans be exterminated fighting like men for independence than to be betrayed and sold like slaves.

"I cannot believe that the American people would uphold such a movement. I do not think that for such a purpose there would be any volunteers; the American people would have to be driven to enlistment. The Cubans in arms would certainly never co-operate for such an object with the forces of the United States.

"The programme involves force as much against the Cubans as against the Spaniards. The President in his message denounced as a crime the annexation of Cuba by force. To intervene without previously recognizing the independence of the Cuban Republic is to deprive the Cubans of the territory which they have succeeded in occupying, of the military force acquired by untold sacrifices, of the advantage of their present position at the opening of the wet season, and of the independence for which alone they have fought against such barbaric methods as have hitherto been unknown to civilization."

Mr. Rubens closed by repeating that any plan which failed to provide for the independence of Cuba as a preliminary step could be prosecuted only against the protest of the Cubans.

HEAVY CLAIMS AGAINST SPAIN.

$16,000,000 Demanded by Americans Who Have Suffered in Cuba.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Claims against Spain aggregating $16,000,000 for injury and loss incident to the war in Cuba have been filed with the State Department by citizens of the United States residing in that country. They cover claims for personal injury, imprisonment, loss of stock, burning of sugar plantations, &c.

All are properly indexed at the State Department, and then sent to Minister Woodford at Madrid, where they are presented to the Spanish Government for adjudication.

CLERGYMAN'S PICTURE OF CUBA.

Revocation of Reconcentrado Order a Farce, Says the Rev. Eugene May.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The Rev. Eugene May, who has been traveling in Cuba, returned to his home here yesterday. His report of the conditions in the island differs in no essential detail from that of Senators Proctor, Thurston, Gallinger, and others who have recently spoken and written on the subject. Dr. May says, in addition:

"The recent revocation of the reconcentrado order is a farce, as the people to whom it applies are too ill to work and have nothing with which to start had they the strength. Blanks have been issued to the starving wretches which are to be filled out with requisitions for whatever they need and sent to Havana. The mockery of it is that the farce ends with sending in the blanks. Nothing more is ever heard of them.

"The relief work is going forward rapidly in 210 towns, but there are between 50,000 and 110,000 reconcentrados who must die, however generous the relief, for they are already beyond help."

SPANIARDS KILLED IN AMBUSH.

Two Hundred Insurgents Surprise 25 Soldiers in Puerto Principe.

HAVANA, April 4.—A Spanish report says that a party of 200 insurgents, at the Plantation of El Dessuido, Province of Puerto Principe, recently surprised twenty-five Spanish soldiers by an ambuscade, killing one officer and twelve soldiers and wounding six soldiers.

It is added that a detachment of 100 Spanish troops went to the assistance of the surviving Spaniards, who were surrounded, and dispersed the insurgents, inflicting considerable loss upon the enemy.

Lost.

"Miss Sylvia, I want you to help me win a little wager. Ruggles, here, says you can't give an answer to a question without beginning it with a 'why, ah,' and I say you can. Can't you?"

"Why, ah—I didn't know I was in the habit of—"

"Ruggles, you've won."—Chicago Tribune.

Easter Gift.

What is more appropriate than Lundborg's Perfume Vio-Violet?

FOR VOLUNTEER RESERVES.

Mr. Wheeler of Alabama Introduces a Bill in the House.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Representative Joseph Wheeler of Alabama introduced a bill in the House to-day to provide for the organization of volunteer reserves to the land and naval forces of the United States.

The members are to be divided into three classes. The First Reserve is to be subject to the first call for service in time of war or invasion, and the second and third classes, to be known as the Second and Third Reserves, respectively, are to be subject to the second and following calls to fill the ranks in the organization to which they belong.

The Adjutant General of the army and the Adjutant Generals of the several States and Territories are to take charge of and carry into effect the organization prescribed. All officers of and below the grade of Colonel in the military reserve and of Captain in the naval reserve are to be appointed by the Governors of the States. Higher officers will be appointed by the President when necessary.

The muster roll of the Volunteer Reserve is to be revised on the first day of January in each year by the addition of members who have volunteered during the year and the erasure of those who have died or have become disabled.

VOLUNTEER RESERVE AFFAIRS.

Enlistments and Letters of Approval Coming In Rapidly.

Several hundred additional enlistments in the National Volunteer Reserve arrived yesterday from all sections of the country, and many men of all classes applied personally at the reserve headquarters to enlist for war with Spain.

It was said by Secretary Kelley that the bill asking for a charter for the organization, together with National sanction for the reserve, would be presented by Gen. Schofield to Congress to-day. It is expected that the bill will be passed without opposition.

A communication was received from Gen. John F. Donohue of Washington, the National Commander of the United Veteran Legion, stating that he would be in this city Tuesday to lend to the movement whatever aid was in his power.

Gen. James R. O'Beirne has asked to be allowed to join the reserve. He says in his letter:

"I can secure, if authorized and accepted, a brigade of 5,000 men already organized and equipped at their own expense, who have been drilled for months past twice a week, officered, and prepared to march."

A letter approving the movement and containing an enlistment blank properly filled out was received from Gen. Lew Wallace.

Gov. J. H. Budd of California sent word through Adjt. Gen. A. W. Barrett assurances of his loyalty and hearty support of the cause. Ex-United States Senator M. C. Butler writes from Washington giving assurances of his hearty support, and adds that there should be a standing army of 50,000 men in this country.

WORK ON COAST DEFENSES.

Arrangements Made for System of Submarine Mines in Harbors.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Gen. Wilson, Chief of Engineers, has taken action for the immediate utilization of the additional allowance of $1,000,000 made to his department by the President. Orders have been given for the resumption of work on fortifications and arrangements have been made also for the establishment of a system of submarine mines and torpedoes at harbors along the coast, where such means of defense are deemed essential in case of hostilities.

These orders have necessitated a partial rearrangement of the engineer department as at present organized. Nearly all the younger members of the corps engaged in rivers and harbor works in the interior have been detached from such duty for the present and ordered to report to the officers engaged in strengthening the defenses of the coast by the erection of batteries and submarine mines.

This action will not result in any neglect in the prosecution of river and harbor work in progress, as other arrangements have been made for that, but on the other hand will enable the department to expedite the preparations for the National defense.

VETERINARIANS TO VOLUNTEER.

University of Pennsylvania Society Would Help in War.

PHILADELPHIA, April 4.—It has been decided at a meeting of the Veterinary College Society of the University of Pennsylvania to offer the Government the services of the members of the society in the event of war with Spain.

The resolution adopted by the meeting states in substance that if there should be an invasion of Spanish territory and need for cavalry, artillery, and wagon trains, the members of the society feel that they could be of service in maintaining the efficiency of the horses and mules employed, and in inspecting animals for these branches of the service as well as the meat-producing animals consumed by the army.

REGULAR TROOPS READY TO MOVE.

Infantry at Plattsburg and Cavalry at Fort Ethan Allen Prepared.

SARATOGA, N. Y., April 4.—The Twenty-first United States Infantry, stationed at the Plattsburg, N. Y., barracks, is held in readiness to move at an hour's notice in the event of hostilities with Spain. The Delaware and Hudson Railway keeps two locomotives and a train of twenty-four cars in constant readiness for the prompt transportation of the regiment to the seaboard.

Fifteen members of the above-mentioned regiment, having been transferred to the Seventh United States Artillery, left Plattsburg last night for New York. The United States Cavalry in barracks at Fort Ethan Allen, near Burlington, Vt., has for several days been in a position to move at an hour's notice. A railway train has been placed at the disposal of the cavalry.

Government Land on Staten Island.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 4.—Gov. Black to-day formally transferred to the United States Government absolute right, title, and jurisdiction over the land on Staten Island which has been purchased by the Federal Government from private individuals to be used to form a part of the New York Harbor defense. This action on the part of the Governor was necessary, although the property belonged to private individuals, because the State has bottom title to all its territory. The transfer of jurisdiction in cases of this character can be made by the Governor under authority of Chapter 391 of 1896.

Ten-Inch Guns for Key West.

BETHLEHEM, Penn., April 4.—This afternoon the Bethlehem Iron Company shipped two big ten-inch guns to Key West. These, together with one shipped on Saturday, will be loaded on a vessel at Jersey City and sent quickly as possible to their destination. A disappearing gun carriage was also shipped to-day, and another will follow in a few days. Every branch of the company's ordnance works is running day and night, and scores of extra mechanics are at work. The guns and fixings shipped to-day weighed fifty tons each.

More Beef Ordered in Chicago.

CHICAGO, April 4.—G. H. Hammond & Co.'s big packing houses at Hammond are working night and day to get out another rush order from the Government. The order was received Saturday for 90,000 cases of corned beef. This is the second rush order received from the Government within the last few days. It is expected that the beef will be shipped to New York Tuesday on special through trains. From New York it will be distributed to the army and the navy.

SECRETARY LONG SPEAKS.

Gives Some Points Concerning the Message After a Cabinet Meeting —Satisfactory to Congress.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The President has completed his Cuban message, and it will be presented to Congress on Wednesday. Secretary Long, after the special Cabinet meeting to-night, authorized the publication of this statement:

The message, which in itself is long, will not be accompanied by the Consular reports dealing with the state of affairs in Cuba. These will go to the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate for their private information and will not be made public just now. The diplomatic correspondence between the United States and Spain will not be submitted at present.

The Cabinet meeting lasted from 8 until after 11, and was devoted entirely to the careful reading and discussion of the President's draft of his message. Every member of the Cabinet was present. The document was gone over point by point, and met with the approval of the Cabinet in every material respect. The only changes made were in a few points of verbiage. When the meeting was over and the members dispersed, there was a general air of relief and satisfaction on all faces, as though the air had been cleared of doubt and the members, firmly resolved on what they deemed the proper course of action, had set out to follow the course to its logical conclusion. The suspense evidently was over.

Secretary Long apparently had been deputed as spokesman for the meeting, and gave the above brief statement. As to the character of the message, he refused to speak. It was learned from other sources, however, that the message is, in part, a review of Spain's course in the present, and previous wars in Cuba. That it will contain some definite recommendations may be inferred from the remark of one member: "While I can say nothing explicit concerning the details of the message," said he, "I may say that it is a strong, explicit statement, and one with which Congress will be thoroughly in accord."

It was suggested that Congress was pretty thoroughly in accord with the Foraker resolution, but nothing more explicit could be obtained.

It is understood that while the consular reports on Cuba are withheld from the public for the present out of regard for their authors, who are still in Cuba, their publication is not deemed essential by the Cabinet. One member in discussing this point said: "They contain only information which has by this time been quite thoroughly presented to the public from other sources."

From the fact that the diplomatic correspondence is not presented with the message it is inferred that its main features are touched on in the message itself, whether in the form of extracts or merely in substance. The fact that the Autonomist Cabinet of Cuba had issued an appeal to the insurgents for an armistice with the idea of arranging peace is regarded here by the best-informed members of the Administration to be simply a covert effort to induce the Cubans to surrender. It is not taken seriously, as the opinion is general that the insurgents will consider nothing of the kind.

ON PAPAL MEDIATION.

The London Times Believes that the President Gave Some Encouragement to the Idea.

LONDON, April 5.—The Times says editorially this morning: "It is to be supposed that President McKinley gave some encouragement to the idea of Papal mediation, but found the country not likely to accept it. The truth is, mediation and arbitration are very beautiful theoretically, but very difficult in practice, and the differences between Spain and the United States are too great and too substantial to be treated by that rose-water method."

The general drift of the editorials in the morning papers is that, however desirable peace may be, there is little hope left that the Pope will succeed, as the insurgents are not likely to consent to an armistice. All the forecasts of President McKinley's message regard it as rather warlike.

BERLIN, April 5.—The Berliner Post says: "The attempts at joint European intervention between Spain and the United States failed owing to a divergence of views. Emperor William declined to mix himself in the affair. It is doubtful if the United States at the Pope's word would consent to have a fat morsel torn from its grasp."

FRANCE PROMPTED BY THE POPE

M. Hanotaux Induced to Instruct M. Cambon to Try and Prevent War.

LONDON, April 5.—The Rome correspondent of The Daily News says:

"I now learn from the best source that, besides his action through the American prelates in the United States, the Pope worked especially through France, inducing M. Hanotaux to send to M. Cambon, the French Minister at Washington, most precise and urgent instructions to do his best to prevent war.

"I am assured also that the Pontiff induced France to take the initiative for a collective European action, to take effect at Washington and also at Madrid; but at the latter only nominally. However, the project had to be abandoned, as, while Spain has kept the different Cabinets informed of her proceedings, the United States, on the contrary, has maintained complete silence."

CAPT. CROWNINSHIELD'S TRIP.

Report that It Referred to the Purchase of an Island.

From sources believed to be authentic it was learned yesterday that when Capt. Crowninshield, Chief of the Bureau of Navigation of the Navy Department, made his recent trip among the West Indies, for the purpose, as it was eventually reported, of studying available coaling stations, he went to Samana Bay, at the eastern end of Santo Domingo.

There is an island in Samana Bay which belongs to the San Domingan Syndicate in which Smith M. Weed is interested. It has a particularly fine, deep harbor, and is regarded in every way as affording unexampled facilities for a coaling station. The position would dominate both Cuba and Puerto Rico.

That the proposal to purchase St. Thomas was suddenly abandoned, taken in connection with a report that Mr. Weed was yesterday in Washington, gave rise to a belief yesterday that the Government has in view the purchase of the island in Samana Bay. It is also said that there will be no impediment to successful negotiation with the San Domingan Government.

THE NORTH AMERICAN PURCHASED.

Fastest Steamer of the Veloce Company of Genoa Now Ours.

LONDON, April 4.—The Rome correspondent of The Daily News says:

"It having been impossible to purchase Italian warships, the United States Government has bought several merchantmen, among which is the North America, formerly the Stirling Castle, the fastest steamer of the Veloce Company of Genoa."

Harvard Students to the President.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., April 4.—A body of 400 Harvard students met in Massachusetts Hall to-night in response to an open call for a debate on the Cuban situation under auspices of the University Debating Club. The question was "Resolved, that the time has now come for the United States to interfere in Cuba, even if it involves us in a war with Spain."

After a lively discussion a vote was taken on the merits of the debate, and resulted in the negative, 151 to 84. It so happened that the ablest speakers of the club responded to the negative side. It was voted to telegraph the result of the debate to President McKinley.

CYCLONE IN NEW CALEDONIA.

French Gunboat Sunk, Many Vessels Stranded, Buildings Demolished, and Crops Damaged.

VANCOUVER, B. C., April 4.—Reports of the most severe cyclone since 1880 come from New Caledonia. It did considerable damage to shipping, demolishing buildings and damaging crops in the interior.

In Noumea Harbor the small French gunboat Loyalty sank at her moorings. The steamer Neobile, the bark Pactole, the pilot cutters were all thrown ashore. The four-masted ship Falls of Garry and also the Danish ship Professor were stranded on the Kinder Reef, the crews of both being saved. In the towns of Tchio, Kone, and Bourail almost all the houses were blown down. Heavy losses were done to mining and agriculture at Noumea. A large church, newly erected, was unroofed, and its stone walls fell. Many houses were unroofed. The Italian Consul's house was completely demolished.

In consequence of telegraph lines being down, no cable news was obtained from England for three days. The complete extent of the damage was, at the time of writing, not known.

A CHICAGO ELOPEMENT.

CHICAGO, April 4.—Durant Howard, son of the master of Mosley Hall at Bar Harbor, and a prominent society man, came from his new home in Marinette, Wis., this morning and announced that he and Henrietta White, a society girl of Highland Park, had been man and wife for six weeks. It was the first intimation that the parents of either side had of the elopement. Mr. and Mrs. Howard went the rounds, begged and secured forgiveness, and took a late train for Marinette.

Mr. Howard is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Howard, who have recently been living at Astor and Division Streets. Miss White is the daughter of the late William F. White, Traffic Manager of the Santa Fé system. Mr. Howard and Miss White met in Marinette by appointment, and hastened to the home of Judge McGillen who presides over the Circuit bench at that place. The Judge received them in his drawing room, and upon explanation that the only reason of the irregular wedding was a mutual desire to avoid a demonstration or an elaborate function, was more than willing to become a third party to the secret. The Judge's wife was the sole witness.

To-day the young couple concluded it was time to take their friends and the world into their confidence. They met in Chicago, called a carriage, and drove directly to introduce themselves to Mr. and Mrs. William Howard. Their reception was most cordial in spite of the surprise. The bridegroom is twenty-eight years old and the bride under twenty.

YESTERDAY'S FIRES.

(From 12 o'clock Sunday night until 12 o'clock Monday night.)

MANHATTAN AND BRONX.

7:00 A. M.—21 Mulberry Street; P. Deligeogo; damage, $150.

10:15 A. M.—804 Fifth Street; D. Culger; damage, $5.

11:45 A. M.—411 West Forty-eighth Street; unknown; damage, $25.

11:50 A. M.—Spuyten Duyvil; Patrick Scarlon; no damage.

6:55 P. M.—46 Essex Street; Abe Levy; no damage.

7:00 P. M.—95 Maiden Lane; Charles Cavallo; damage, $1,200.

LOSSES BY FIRE.

READING, Penn., April 4.—The Wilhelm Bicycle Works, at Hamburg, this county, and St. John's Union Church, adjoining, were burned to the ground this afternoon. Total loss, $50,000.

DARIEN, Ga., April 4.—Two large sawmills, two lumber kilns, and several houses were consumed to-day on Union Island, opposite Darien. The property was owned by the Hilton-Dodge Lumber Company and was valued at $200,000. Five sailing vessels, lumber laden, were badly damaged.

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TRIP OF THE GOOD TIMES.

Guests of Mrs. Richard Irvin Ride to Woodmansten Inn.

A prolonged blast of the guard's horn aroused some of the late sleepers at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel yesterday at 10:30 A. M., and announced the start on its first public trip for the season of the coach Good Times, which will run between the Waldorf-Astoria and Woodmansten Inn, Westchester, daily, except Sundays, until June 25. The trial trip, which was made on Saturday, was a successful one, and the guests of Mrs. Richard Irvin, who made the trip yesterday, voted their ride equally successful.

The outing was intended as a jollification in honor of Miss Duer and her affianced husband, Clarence H. Mackay, but Mr. Mackay was unable to make the trip. James Sheldon, an amateur whip of London, tooled the coach, with Mrs. Irvin on the box seat beside him. The others in the party were George Jenkins, Miss Virginia Fair, Miss Duer, Mr. and Mrs. W. Storrs Wells, Charles T. Harrison, Mrs. Hermann Oelrichs, Richard Carman, Mrs. Gray, and T. Suffern Taller.

FREDERICK GEBHARD'S SALE.

When it was announced some time ago that Frederick Gebhard had decided to send his steeplechaser Olindo, by Oneida-Sophronia, and therefore a half-brother to Locohatchee, to England to be trained for the Liverpool Grand National Steeplechase, the horse and his owner were the chief topics of conversation among cross-country men in this country. Mr. Gebhard changed his mind, however, and about a week ago decided to sell Olindo, Becky Rolfe, Rodman, and Mispah, all good steeplechasers, with a few ponies and one or two other steeplechasers.

The sale was advertised for yesterday afternoon at the American Horse Exchange, Fiftieth Street and Broadway, and in consequence there was a large gathering of cross-country men present to bid on the horses. The four named above, however, were not brought to the sale, and the racing men had little use for those offered. They were drawn to the sale—some of them from quite a distance—by the announcement that Olindo and the others were to be sold, and when Auctioneer Ware announced that the four best horses had been withdrawn the horsemen were not slow in announcing their belief that Mr. Gebhard had announced the sale of his good horses in order to draw a crowd.

Craig Wadsworth of the Genesee Hunt came from Rochester to buy Olindo, and he telegraphed to the veterinarian, Dr. Sheppard, to be on hand to examine the horse. Fred Pressgrave, the manager of the Goughacres Stable, came from Washington, and C. C. Quintin from Philadelphia for the purpose of bidding, and they were disgusted when they learned that they had made their trips for nothing. David T. Pulsifer, William and Alfred Lakeland, "Jim

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CASINO—In Gay New York—8:15.
CHICKERING HALL—Orchestral Concert—3:00.
COLUMBUS—Uncle Tom's Cabin—8:15.
DALY'S—The Geisha—8:15.
EDEN MUSEE—Waxworks—Concerts—Cinematograph—Day and Evening.
EMPIRE—The Conquerors—8:15.
FIFTH AVENUE—Tess of the D'Urbervilles—8:30.
FOURTEENTH STREET—The Girl from Paris—8:15.
GARDEN—The Master—8:25.
GARRICK—The Little Minister—8:20.
GRAND OPERA HOUSE—The 8 Bells—8:15.
HARLEM OPERA HOUSE—The Royal Box—8:15.
HERALD SQUARE—Monte Carlo—8:15.
IRVING PLACE—Die Schoene Galathe—The Little Lambs—8:15.
KEITH'S UNION SQUARE—Vaudeville—12 M. to 11 P. M.
KNICKERBOCKER—A Virginia Courtship—His Last Appearance—8:15.
KOSTER & BIAL'S—Refined Vaudeville—Spectacular Ballet—Concert—7:30.
LYCEUM—Illustrated Lecture—8:30.
MADISON SQUARE GARDEN—Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show—2:0 0and 8:15.
MANHATTAN—'Way Down East—8:15.
MENDELSSOHN HALL—Concert—8:30. Concert—8:15.
NATIONAL ACADEMY OF DESIGN—Oil Paintings—Day and Evening.
PROCTOR'S—Vaudeville—Noon to 11 P. M.
SAM T. JACK'S—Burlesque—2:00 and 8:00.

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TWELVE PAGES.

THE POPE AND CUBA.

Of course the suggestion that the Pope shall be chosen either to arbitrate or to mediate between Spain and the United States is not admissible. This is not a Catholic country, and would not be even though a majority of its inhabitants were Catholics. Spain, on the other hand, is not only a Catholic country, but a Catholic power. She is almost the only Catholic power that is left, in the sense of being a power which is influenced in its secular politics by considerations of the welfare of the Church. It is not merely by a rhetorical flourish, but as the expression of a fact, that the style of a King of Spain is that of a "Most Catholic Majesty." It is the first qualification of an arbitrator that he should be "indifferent between the parties." It is impossible that the Pope should be indifferent between Spain and the United States. Therefore it is impossible that, even if we were prepared to accept the mediation of anybody, we should accept that of the Pope. As a matter of fact, we are not prepared to accept the mediation of anybody, because we all have an ultimatum formulated in our own minds. We know what we want and upon what we mean to insist. It is that Spain shall take herself out of this hemisphere, and cease to exert the baleful influence which has reduced her American possessions to Cuba, and made into a hell an island intended by nature for a paradise.

But it does not follow that the Pope may not do good by offering to mediate between Spain and the Cubans. They are all alike Catholics. It is true that the difference between the demands of Spain and the demands of the Cubans is quite irreconcilable. The demands of the Cubans are that Spain shall cease to control or in any real sense to govern Cuba. That secured, there would be no great objection to "saving the face" of Spain as to the form of the transaction by which she released her hold upon the island. The Pope will of course advise her, as all European nations would advise her, that it is mere madness for her to attempt to retain control of Cuba by war with the United States. The first gun that was fired in such a war would liberate Cuba. However the fortunes of war might subsequently fluctuate, no sane Spaniard can imagine that Cuba could ever be reconquered. But if the Pope and the powers all advised Spain to yield without war what she would surely have to yield in the event of war, the assurance might be of great use as a salve to Spanish pride. It could not save Cuba. Nothing can do that. But it might possibly save the Ministry and it might very probably save the dynasty.

OUR INTEREST.

What is our interest in Cuba? Why do we care whether it is held or free? Is the pacification of the island worth its cost to us in blood and treasure? These questions continually greet the advocates of intervention.

To one thing it is for our interest not to let the Cuban question become an issue of party politics. If we fail now, while the parties are united and the Nation speaks as one man, to settle the question forever by making the island independent we shall have nothing but Cuba in our politics for years to come.

If intervention is not now made an accomplished fact, the Congressional elections next Fall will turn on that issue. Beyond all doubt a "war Congress" would be elected. An inspection of the letters and telegrams sent to members of the present Congress during the past six weeks would probably convince the most skaptical on that point. But the Congressmen elected next November will not take their seats until December, 1899. Does anybody imagine that business would go on swimmingly, that the country would be prosperous, and that we should all be contented, happy, and making money hand over fist during those thirteen months that the war Congress was waiting for its innings?

In 1900 we elect a President. There is a free-silver question in the country; not dead, but sleeping. Would the party of sound money enter with light hearts upon a campaign in which the 16 to 1 candidate for President was also a loud and skillful advocate of war with Spain? Texas was a foremost issue in our politics for twelve years until she became a State, and we had whipped Mexico. We have juster cause for war with Spain, and though there may be no organized interest working for the independence of Cuba as the slave interest worked for the acquisition of Texas, yet a cause that is solidly based upon justice and humanity will never lack either advocates or converts. A political canvass that made war for Cuban independence its keynote would sweep the country like a prairie fire, and flame and fuel will await the hand of him who can bring them together until all danger of such a kindling is removed by the hauling down of the Spanish flag in Cuba.

The pest and danger of a foreign issue becoming dominant in our home politics is one of those forms of menace to our peace and security which constitute legal ground for intervention. No American citizen with his eyes open can fail to see that the danger exists, no prudent American will counsel any other policy than that of removing it altogether. Makeshifts cure no evils, and temporizing is not a settlement. We have come now to the point foreshadowed in the messages of CLEVELAND and MCKINLEY. The conditions we have all along declared to be intolerable are worse than ever before. We are ready to apply the remedy. Yet some among us would have our Government weakly draw back and hold interminable parleys for peace with this faithless people who blew up our warship and are notoriously of all the peoples of the earth the readiest to make and break promises.

Either Spain must give up Cuba or we must back down from a just, lawful, and necessary position. Will the peacemakers tell us which is the more likely to promote our National contentment and well-being?

THE TWO NAVIES COMPARED.

In case of a naval war between Spain and the United States, the effective fighting in direct battle on the sea must take place between the first-rate armored vessels of the two powers, and it will be well to see how they compare in this kind of equipment. The modern battleship is mainly a fighting machine, intended to carry heavy defensive and offensive armament and to accommodate a large complement to work machinery and guns, with speed for manoeuvring and not for chasing or running away. Some of the cruisers are quite as large as some first-rate battleships and as heavily armed and armored, but they are built more for speed.

Spain has but one effective battleship, the Pelayo, which has been fitting with new boilers and undergoing some change of armament at Toulon, and has been ordered to Cartagena unfinished. She has a displacement of 9,900 tons, is 330 feet long, 66 feet beam, and 24 feet 11 inches draught, and has a speed of 16 knots. She has a steel belt of 17¾ inches, increasing to 19¼ at the gun positions, and a four-inch steel deck. Her armament consists of 2 12.5-inch, forty-eight-ton guns, one forward and one aft, in protected turrets; 2 eleven-inch guns, similarly disposed; 1 6.2-inch, 12 4.7-inch, 6 quick fire and 12 machine guns, on sponsoned barbettes on the sides. The battleship Vitoria, 7,250 tons, has been used as a training ship, and has a speed of only 11 knots. She has been fitted with fighting masts and some new armament, but cannot be regarded as formidable. The cruiser Emperador Carlos V., on the other hand, is a powerful vessel of 9,235 tons, which can carry 1,200 tons of coal and make 20 knots an hour. She is 380 feet long, 67 feet beam, and 25 feet draught, has a twelve-inch belt of Harvey steel, (ten inches at the gun positions,) and 6¼ inches of deck plating. Her armament consists of 2 eleven-inch guns, single, in fore and aft turrets, 8 5.5-inch quick-fire guns, 4 3.9-inch, 2 2.7-inch, 4 2.2-inch, and six machine guns on the barbettes.

There are six of the 7,000-ton armored cruisers of the Almirante Oquendo type—that vessel, the Cardinal Cisneros, the Cataluna, Infanta Maria Teresa, Princess de Asturias, and the Viscaya. To these the Cristobal Colon, of 6,840 tons, must be added. These 7,000-ton cruisers are nearly alike, being about 347 feet long, 61 feet beam, and 22 feet draught. They have twelve-inch armor belts, (10¾ at gun positions,) two and three inches of steel deck plating, twin screws, 1,200 tons of coal supply, and make 20 knots an hour. Their armaments differ in detail, but are practically equivalent. That of the Almirante Oquendo, taken as a sample, consists of 2 eleven-inch and 10 5.5-inch quick-fire guns, 6 three-pounder, 4 one-pounder, and 2 1.4-inch quick fire, and 8 machine guns. They have each six torpedo tubes. The Cristobal Colon is of slightly smaller dimensions and lighter armament, and has but six inches of armor plate. The first-rate fighting force of the Spanish Navy, then, lies in this one belated battleship and eight fine armored cruisers.

Let us see what we have to correspond to it. We have to leave out our five formidable 11,525-ton battleships, the Kentucky, Kearsarge, Illinois, Alabama, and Wisconsin, which are either still on the stocks or but newly launched and not ready for service. We have, then, the four battleships—Iowa, 11,340 tons; Indiana, 10,288; Massachusetts, 10,288; Oregon, 10,288, (now on the Pacific;) the two armored cruisers, Brooklyn, 9,215 tons, and New York, 8,200 tons; the protected cruisers Columbia, 7,375, and Minneapolis, 7,375; the second-class battleship Texas, 6,315 tons; the double-turreted monitor Puritan, 6,060, and the protected cruiser Olympia, 5,870 tons, (now on the Asiatic station.) Here are eleven vessels against the Spanish nine, but, counting out the Texas and the Puritan, which is slow and rather a harbor-defense than a sea fighting vessel, and setting the nine effective first-raters against the Spanish nine, we outclass them in everything but speed. The battleships have a speed of only 16 or 17 knots an hour, but both classes of cruisers are fast. The Brooklyn and New York are credited with 20 knots, the Columbia with 22.8, and the Minneapolis with 23. Our first-class battleships have armor belts of fourteen to eighteen inches thick and three-inch deck plating, but the fast cruisers are not heavily armored, carrying belts of about four inches of steel, increasing to seven at the gun positions. The armaments of the battleships are heavier than those of the Spanish cruisers. Take that of the Iowa as an example: It consists of 4 twelve-inch, 8 eight-inch, 6 four-inch, (rapid fire,) 20 six-pounder, 6 one-pounder, and 4 machine guns. The armament of the armored cruiser Brooklyn is 8 eight-inch, 12 five-inch, (rapid fire,) 12 six-pounder, 4 one-pounder, and 4 machine guns, and that of the New York is substantially equivalent. The protected cruiser Columbia carries 1 eight-inch, 2 six-inch, 8 four-inch, (rapid fire,) 12 six-pounder, 4 one-pounder, and 4 machine guns, and the armament of the Minneapolis is precisely the same. The Texas has 2 twelve-inch and 6 six-inch guns, besides 12 six-pounder, 6 one-pounder, and four machine guns, and the Puritan (monitor) has 4 twelve-inch, 6 four-inch, (quick fire,) 4 three-pounder, 4 one-pounder, and 4 machine guns. While the Spanish cruisers are formidable craft, we cannot be said to be overmatched in first-class fighting vessels.

When it comes to those of second rate, or less than 5,000 tons displacement, (down to 2,000,) we are far ahead of Spain. She has the Alfonso XIII., 5,000 tons; the Lepanto, 4,826; Reina Christina, 3,520; Aragon, 3,342; Castilla, 3,342; Navarra, 3,342; Alfonso XII., 3,090, and Reina Mercedes, 3,090. These are unprotected, of moderate speed, except Alfonso XIII. and the Lepanto which are credited with 20 knots. Their size and armament fairly correspond with the indicated tonnage. The heaviest guns of the Alfonso XIII. and the Lepanto are 7.8-inch Hontorias, and those of the Aragon type 6.2-inch Hontorias or 5.9-inch Krupps. Corresponding to this list of second-class cruising vessels we reckon the following sixteen, of 3,000 tons or more: Chicago, 4,500 tons; Baltimore, 4,413; Philadelphia, 4,324; Newark, 4,098; San Francisco, 4,098; Charleston, 3,730; Lancaster, 3,250; Cincinnati, 3,213; Raleigh, 3,213; Atlanta, 3,000; Boston, 3,000, (all protected cruisers;) the Monterey, barbette turret, low freeboard monitor; the Miantonomoh, Amphitrite, Monadnock, and Terror, double-turret monitors of 3,990 tons each. The monitors are of course armored and heavily armed, but are not fast, and are for defense rather than for cruising.

Spain is reported to have bought the Giuseppe Garibaldi from Italy, and she has for some time been trying to buy the Carlo Alberto. These are both first-class armored cruisers, the former of 6,840 tons and the latter 6,500; they both have six inches of Harvey steel in their armor belts, and make 20 knots an hour. To offset this acquisition, actual or possible, we have the two new Brazilian cruisers and are negotiating for more. These cruisers, which have been renamed the New Orleans and the Albany, are of the second class, each having a displacement of 3,600 tons and a speed of 20 knots.

But we have a large number of cruisers and monitors, which in our classification are called third-rate vessels, ranging from 1,000 to 3,000 tons, and Spain has scarcely anything corresponding to it. She has nothing between 2,000 and 3,000 tons, while the United States has the cruiser Hartford, 2,790 tons; the harbor defense ram Katahdin, 2,155; the unprotected cruisers Detroit, Montgomery, and Marblehead, of 2,089 tons each, and the single-turret monitors Ajax, Canonicus, Mahopac, Manhattan, and Wyandotte, of 2,100. The monitors are slow, but carry 2 fifteen-inch guns each. The cruisers have a high speed capacity and a good armament of four to six-inch guns and smaller. Spain has a few cruisers of a little over 1,000 tons—the Velasco, 1,152; the Conde de Venadito, Don Antonio de Ulloa, Don Juan de Austria, Infanta Isabel, and Isabel II., of 1,130 each; and the Isla de Cuba, Isla de Luzon, and Marques de la Ensenada, of 1,000 each. These have a speed of 14 to 16 knots, and their heaviest guns are 4.7-inch Hontorias. Within the range of displacement from 1,900 tons down to 1,000, the United States Navy has nine (Cushing, Ericsson, and Winslow, 1,900 tons; Adams, Alliance, Essex, and Wilmington, 1,020; eight single-turret monitors of 1,875 each, the Canonicus, Catskill, Jason, Lehigh, Montauk, Nahant, Nantucket, and Passaic; three gunboats of 1,710 each, the Bennington, Concord, and Yorktown; the dispatch boat Dolphin, 1,486 tons; two light-draught gunboats of 1,392, the Wilmington and Helena; two of the same, of 1,371 tons, the Nashville and Monocacy; two 1,177-ton gunboats, the Castine and Machias, and five 1,000-ton composite gunboats, the Annapolis, Vicksburg, Wheeling, Marietta, and Newport. The monitors in this list carry 2 big fifteen-inch smooth bores, and the cruisers mostly 6 or 8 four-inch rapid-fire guns and some smaller pieces, including machine guns. The gunboats carry mostly six-inch guns as their heaviest ordnance.

Spain has a number of gunboats and other cruising craft of less than 1,000 tons' displacement, including much of the coast guard of Cuba, but it is an ineffectual force for war purposes. We have seven vessels that are classed as fourth rate. They are the dynamite gun vessel Vesuvius, 929 tons; the cruiser Yantic, 900; the gunboat Petrel, 892; the transport steamer Fern, 840; the gunboat Bancroft, 839; the cruiser Michigan, 685, and the gunboat Pinta, 550.

In the important line of torpedo craft the Spanish Navy is far better equipped than ours. Unless by very recent purchase, we have no torpedo-boat destroyers, while Spain has two of the largest size, quite new, with a speed of 30 knots—the Audas and Osada—and three others scarcely less dangerous, the Furor, Terror, and Pluto. She has also several very large torpedo boats, 147 feet long, with a speed of 26 knots, of which the Ariete and Rango, in the flotilla at Cape Verde, are samples. Her entire torpedo outfit includes thirty-eight of the first class—that is, 115 feet long or more—and many smaller ones, which are not likely to cross the ocean in any case. Our torpedo fleet consists of twenty-two boats in all, barring additions just made, and none of them compare in size and power with the best of the Spanish. A considerable number of sailing vessels and many tugs and smaller craft belong to our navy, but in the two most effective branches for war upon the sea, large armored vessels and torpedo craft, we cannot claim any decided advantage over Spain.

CUBA AND THE MAINE.

It is given out from Washington that the President will not deal in his forthcoming message with the destruction of the Maine. As everybody in and out of Congress knows, it is that event which has aggravated and made acute the crisis. But for that, our intervention might for an indefinite time to come have been limited to feeding the reconcentrados, a measure which, although it infuriates the more brutal Spanish organs, the Spanish Government could not decently resist or even obstruct.

It is strange, though not unprecedented, that the real cause of war should be almost ignored in the diplomatic correspondence that may lead to war. The Spanish coast guard off Havana who tore off the ear of Capt. JENKINS in 1731 had no intention or expectation of bringing on a general European war by indulging his natural propensity, and in fact it was not until 1738 that the story of JENKINS, submitted to a committee of the House of Commons, in connection with the amputated organ, roused the British public. "The story of JENKINS," said PULTENEY, "will raise volunteers." According to the latest British authority, "it was an important factor in bringing on the war with Spain in the following year."

The destruction of the Maine, like the assault upon JENKINS, was one of the acts which seem to make it impossible to come to any terms with the perpetrators. It is undoubtedly the destruction of the Maine which has caused the public opinion, or rather the public feeling, of this country to settle into a determination that Spain must quit this hemisphere. This determination exists quite independently of the sufferings of the reconcentrados, which we might relieve, or of the rigors of Spanish government in Cuba, which Spain is showing a disposition to soften. Yet the cause of it cannot be made a subject of diplomatic correspondence, for if it was an act at all, and not an accident, it was an act of war. The belief of the American people since the report of the court of inquiry is all but universal that it was an act of war. A correspondent whose letter we published on Sunday dissents from this belief, and supports his dissent by arguments that we cannot regard as fair. It is true that, according to the usual procedure when a ship of war is lost, we instituted an inquiry into the loss of our own property. But there is no reason for imputing "bias" to the investigation. If the court had found that the Maine was destroyed by an internal explosion, for which the officers of the ship were not to blame, there is no reason for supposing that its members would not have made that report as willingly as it would have been received with relief by the country. On the other hand, it is, and was from the first, simply inconceivable that a Spanish court of inquiry should report that the destruction of the ship proceeded from an external cause. Its conclusion that the explosion was of internal origin was so absolutely foregone that it did not affect the judgment of any disinterested person. We have since seen that it did not even prevent the Spanish Minister from adducing evidence to show that the destruction of the Maine might have been caused by an external explosion, contrived by Cubans!

That the actual explosion was unauthorised we may readily believe, just as the English who were stirred up to making war upon Spain a century and a half ago by the story of Capt. JENKINS may have believed that the leaders of the outrages acted without orders. In each case the fact may have been that of an individual, but in each case the act was typical of Spanish rule in Cuba. What that rule was in 1731 it remains in 1898. The universal conviction of Americans is that it has lasted too long, and that it must last no longer.

TOPICS OF THE TIMES.

—In commenting the other day on the charge—a peculiarly irritating one, since it comes from the Spanish editor of a Havana newspaper—that the people of the United States had gained possession of a great territory by exterminating its original inhabitants, we stated that there are more Indians in this country now than there were when English colonization began. This assertion has often been made by those who have studied the subject carefully, but it seems to have wakened surprise as well as doubt in the minds of several readers, and they are writing to ask if we are quite sure of our facts. To be frank, we are not. The matter is one on which certainty is impossible, for nobody can do much more than guess as to the exact number of Indians that lived here in the early days, and even the latest census is confessedly more or less inaccurate in its enumeration of the Nation's wards. Still, sufficient data exist to justify an opinion, if not a belief, that our claim was true. Early estimates of the Indian population were wildly exaggerated. The first explorers and settlers counted—or guessed—the number of savages drawn by curiosity or hostility into their immediate neighborhood, and concluded that the whole country was as densely populated. Figures like 16,000,000 were gravely set down as about right, but these have been steadily decreasing as observers examined more closely the conditions of Indian life, and the view now taken is that the aggregate of all the tribes was less than 500,000. At present we know that there are about 300,000 of them, and that, as a whole, their birth rate exceeds the rate of deaths. Civilization undoubtedly bears hard on the Indians, but they no longer war among themselves, and this in the old days did much more to keep down their numbers than does even the white man's whisky. The census reports show a slight decrease of enumerated Indians in recent years, but the chances are that this is due, not to a fading away of the tribes, but to an improvement in both the accuracy and the honesty of the enumerators. Many Indians, too, have so closely identified themselves with their white neighbors that they no longer appear in the returns, and, taking everything into consideration, there is little reason to do more than qualify our original statement with a "probably."

—It is impossible, apparently, for the Latin mind, at least in its Spanish manifestation, to realize that, among people of other races, a controversy which has been fought out comes to an end and the contestants proceed to think of other things than revenge. The idea that the South will take advantage of a foreign war to settle old scores with the North excites only amusement among those who understand the situation here, but the Iberians cling to it in spite of all attempts to instruct them. El Pais of Madrid gravely asserts that "great uneasiness prevails at Washington concerning the attitude of the Southern States." Now, that is so absurd as to be almost pathetic. Come to think of it, though, there may be some ground for uneasiness after all. The Southerners have an advantage in their proximity to the probable scene of action, and they may be selfish enough to pitch in and do the whole business before the rest of us can get within gunshot. Perhaps that is what Washington worries about.

—New Yorkers in the past have once or twice complained gently that the elevated railway was not quite so considerate of their convenience as it might be, but they should find comfort in the fact that the Londoners have to endure wrongs with which we are as yet unacquainted. An angry Britisher thus voices his agony: "On last Sunday, at 11:20 o'clock at night, I accompanied a lady visitor to North End Road, West Kensington, to put her on an underground train for Charing Cross. The train service had been discontinued for the night. Fancy that! A railway system, provided for the accomodation of 5,000,000 persons, suspending operations between two important centres of the capital of the world at 11:20 o'clock! But there is another side to the picture. Fancy 5,000,000 persons supinely permitting a public corporation to skim the cream of the trade for which they have given it a practical monopoly; giving service when it can most easily make the most money, and cold-shouldering the public when each day's rush is over!" Well, do as he says and "Fancy that!" Would we stand it? Don't answer too quickly. Remember all that we have stood—and stand.

PERSONAL.

—Senator MASON'S course in respect to Cuba has elicited disapproving criticism from a number of Chicago's prominent business men, the general tenor of their objections being that he is too eager for war and does not sufficiently consider the commercial interests of the country. In a long dispatch to The Chicago Tribune Senator MASON takes up the various points raised by the apprehensive merchants, and answers them courteously but with considerable vigor. He is especially insistent on the justice of his view that "Spain blew up the Maine" and denies the right of critics necessarily less well informed than himself to assert that there is no basis for this assertion. "I have," the Senator says, "studied international law for twenty-five years, and I am familiar with Spanish diplomacy for more than 100 years, as it is laid down in the books. Under the order of Gen. WEYLER, which has not yet been published, but which is known to every Senator, every ounce of all explosives was absolutely and entirely under the control of the Spanish Government, and I say, what is approved by every student of international law, that the discharge of a mine is the same as the discharge of a cannon." As to the explosion itself, Senator MASON declares: "The court of inquiry declined to fix responsibility on 'person or persons,' but I know that it was fixed on Spain." To the charge that his jingoism is due to a desire for re-election he answers that his term does not expire until 1903, and that there is time before then for many things to be done—and forgotten.

—China has at last found something to be angry about—something that moves her statesmen to vigorous action. It is not the acquisition of one port after another by the hated foreigner, but the suspicion that LI HUNG CHANG has been getting more than his share of Russian gold. This thought is unendurable to the neglected Mandarins, and they are clamoring for the old man's head and the confiscation of his presumably enormous fortune. Li has weathered many a similar storm in the past, and, as China still needs him, this one, too, will probably leave him unharmed. But how characteristic the episode is!

—So far as has been noticed, all the men who have written letters to the Newspapers about Mr. H. CLEVELAND WARNE have expressed more or less vehement disapproval of his conduct. The women have mostly held their peace, as though, to their minds, the matter were one of small consequence, while the few of them who have been moved to publish their views have defended the young theologian on the ground that his mother, by her neglect and dissipation, had forfeited all claim either to love or to assistance. Here is new evidence of the fact that sentimentality is an attribute distinctively and almost exclusively masculine, and that those who would find a calm recognition of facts and unqualified willingness to act upon them must look among the feminine half of humanity. The letter in which Mr. WARNE stated his reasons for refusing help to Mrs. WARNE was a model of logic. There was no reason, in the literal sense of that word, why he should send her any money, and several reasons have since developed why he should not have done so, and yet every half-decent man who read that previous communication instantly decided that the writer of it is a miserable fellow, unworthy of admission to the ministry, or, indeed, to any other calling likely to bring him into intimate association with honest people. Full weight to all the circumstances in the case was given, however, by a number of women who have taken part in the resulting controversy, and they plead for the son against the mother with a logical consistency that cannot be denied, even by the most impulsive of the impulsive sex. Unfortunately for Mr. WARNE, his prospects depend on the opinions of men, not of women. California, we hear, will have none of him, and the rest of the country is likely to be no less "unjust."

THE PRINTING OF "EXTRAS."

To the Editor of The New York Times:

I read with a great deal of profit the able editorials in which you from day to day keep pace with the times, and have duly noted the dignity of your utterances. It is a source of wonder to me that citizens of a great city like New York, so ready to respond when their patriotism is touched, should be so easily misled into mistaking "sensation" and claptrap for patriotic sentiment. Those who read your editorials can be filled with patriotism, but those reading your yellow contemporaries must be animated rather with a species of bulldog rage such as overpowers a prizefighter when his friends in the rear appeal to his finer feelings in such temperate words as "Soak it to him, Bob!" "Hit him on the solar plexus!" &c.

It is painful to note that our President is being so unjustly attacked. Audiences in music halls, &c., go so far as to hiss the mention of his name. I wonder how performers who sing such patriotic (?) ballads attacking him would act were they in his place. Does it not ill become us, who are so patriotic (?) as to remain seated at all times while our National anthem is being sung, to hiss our chosen President the moment our passions are appealed to? I prefer the course you take—namely, to "be sure you are right, and then go ahead," to that of your contemporaries who seem to be aching for bloodshed in order to show their prowess in causing and depicting it.

I fear that our unprejudiced neighbors must look upon us as being easily led. But a short time ago our sensational press was shouting for arbitration, and we arose en masse and prayed for arbitration. To-day the press howls "Loose the dogs of war," and we echo "War! war! war!"

In my humble opinion, if we desire to uphold our fame as a great Republic, a peace-pursuing and peace-loving people, we should seek to be dignified in our patriotism, and should remember it is our duty to act with the same deliberation toward Spain as we would were it Germany, Great Britain, or any other of the first-class powers whose territory we were about to invade. Above all let us uphold our President, for he is no coward. It requires at least as much courage to dare to do right in spite of public clamor as to rush to do a wrong in blind obedience to it. It is no light matter to plunge two great nations into a terrible conflict. However, it seems more profitable to print terrible "extras" attacking our honored President than to heed the admonition of men, who, trained in the art of diplomacy and peace, are willing to trust to his courage rather than appeal to his bravado. LEOPOLD MINSTER.

New York, April 4, 1898.

War a Crime.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

Why should we send thousands of our best and bravest young men to a bloody death in this Cuban cause? We ought to feed and help the reconcentrados, but to sacrifice so many noble lives in a bloody war, when far less money spent would clothe and feed these poor people and start them on their farms again, seems a crime indeed against Christian civilization in this nineteenth century.

WILLIAM HARMAN BROWN.

New York, April 2, 1898.

The Appalling Spread of Unbelief.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

I have yet to see the man that favors war who is not either theoretically or practically an infidel. W. M. MEYERS.

Waterbury, Conn., April 3, 1898.

Mrs. Seidl's Acknowledgment.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

Mrs. Anton Seidl begs to convey her heartfelt thanks for all the kindness and sympathy shown to her in her hour of grief. As it is impossible to thank the many kind friends personally who have testified their love for her husband, she asks that this public notice be given of her gratefulness.

New York, April 2, 1898.

NUGGETS.

Child of the Period.

"We had to sell our motor cradle."

"Why?"

"Our baby kept taking it to pieces to see how it worked."—Detroit Free Press.

Thrilling.

He—That must be a very interesting book you are reading.

She—Oh, it's awfully exciting! The heroine changes her gown six times in the first chapter.—Chicago News.

Makes the Most Noise.

Commercial Traveler—Who's that talking so loud and kicking up such a fuss back there in the private office?

Clerk (nonchalantly)—Oh, that's the silent partner.—Somerville (Mass.) Journal.

Uncertain Indications.

Experienced Servant—Gentleman wants to see you, Sir.

Mr. Riobmann—Who is he?

Experienced Servant—I couldn't find out, Sir; but, judgin' by his clothes, he's either a beggar or a millionaire.—Harlem Life.

Human Nature.

"A great struggle arises in a woman's mind when she is asked what her new gown cost," said a philosopher. "She is always in doubt whether to cut the price in half and make you envy her the bargain or double it and make you envy her affluence."—Indianapolis Journal.

IT IS THE HOUR.

S. E. Kiser in Cleveland Leader.

We have waited and watched and hoped;
We have weighed the question well;
We have heard such screams as trouble the dreams
Of the damned who roast in hell!
Infants tug at the breasts
Of mothers who, starving, died—
It is time to strike, though all the world
Were leagued on the other side.

We have patiently held our peace;
We have begged—we have warned in vain!
We have stood aloof while the iron hoof
Has dented the purple plain!
We have heard the groans of the slain
With the cries of the starving blend—
We have felt the thrust of a treacherous blade,
And patience is at an end!

We have warned and waited and hoped,
And respected the laws of men,
But the day is at hand to take a stand
And never recede again!
Cast off—cast off, with flags unfurled,
Nor wait for a later tide.
It is time to strike, though all the world
Were leagued on the other side!

NEW THEATRICAL BILLS

A New Farce with Many Complications at the Bijou Theatre.

A MUSIC HALL OPERETTA

"An Old Coat" May Long Entertain People Who Are Not Difficult to Entertain—"Au Bain" Is as Stupid as Need Be.

"An Old Coat," by W. H. Allderdice, produced at the Bijou Opera House last night by the firm of entrepreneurs who last year introduced "My Friend from India" to the metropolis, will scarcely gain the same large measure of public favor as its predecessor, but it may please people who are easily pleased until the roof gardens open and antique humor on the street level ceases to be profitable. The newly discovered author is not a telegrapher, this time, but a passed assistant engineer in the United States Navy, while his literary gifts and knowledge of stagecraft seem to be as ample as Mr. du Souchet's. It occurred to Mr. Allderdice that if the various pockets of an old coat could be filled with money, important legal documents and incriminating letters, and the garment should suddenly disappear, the consequences might be amusing; and having pondered sufficiently over his elemental idea Mr. Allderdice wrote his play. His first act is either very mildly diverting or portentuously dull, according to the taste, experience, and amiability of the spectator, but there is sport enough after the ball is set a-rolling.

Serious criticism of such a work is not called for. Mr. Allderdice's play will not cause much excitement, and will not be an all-absorbing topic of town talk. But it was received cordially by a large audience last night. The whole performance was sufficiently intelligent and spirited.

Reginald Hartwell.....Frederic Bond
Montgomery Wood.....John P. Ward
Thaddeus Brown.....Clayton White
George Meredeth.....John R. Maher
Kempston.....Joseph Adelman
Michael Houlihan.....John Flinn
William.....Frank G. Parry
Mrs. Wood.....Helen Reimer
Ethel Wood.....Nita Allen
Gwendolen Wood.....Clara Hathaway
Mrs. Pitshigh.....Meta Maynard
Beatrice O'Rafferty.....May Yokes

THE LADY AND THE EEL GRASS.

A Musical Romance in One Act Presented at Koster & Bial's.

After the athletic exhibition of the india-rubber persons who call themselves "sisters," and Picchiani at that, and some time before Charmion disrobed herself and chucked her garters at the folks in the orchestra, came "Au Bain," book by Alexandre Derolles, music by Maxime Lechampa. It was hoped, because of the excess of acrobatism in the bill at Koster & Bial's this week, that the new "turn" would not be acrobatic; but the swimming of Adele Ritchie was found to be as wonderful in its way as any other feat of physical prowess in the long programme.

Miss Ritchie appeared as Suzanne, betrothed by the testament of an elderly female relative to her cousin Anatole. She had made Anatole believe that she was old and ugly, and he had refused to marry her, thus losing his share of the old woman's fortune. Then Suzanne, it being night, undressed herself and went in swimming, while the man in the moon looked on and wept. But presently along came Anatole again, singing joyfully to himself, as Anatoles will, and naughty Suzanne was impelled (like another Eve) to make a small but serviceable garment for herself out of the eel grass. Whereupon Anatole, accoutred as he was, jumped into the water, too, and they both sang and swam and swam and sang. Finally Anatole was prevailed upon to go home, and call next day, whereupon Suzanne emerged from the wave, like Aphrodite, and the calciums spluttered and the curtain fell. The parents of many of the men and women who saw this thing last night used to go to church and reverently say their prayers every night.

Mr. Crane at the Knickerbocker.

Mr. Crane supplemented his popular performance in "A Virginia Courtship," at the Knickerbocker Theatre last night, by a representation of Mr. A. E. Lancaster's one-act play called "His Last Appearance," recently produced at a benefit. In this Mr. Crane portrays a retired actor, who, in order to influence a bashful young man to offer his hand and heart to a nice girl, pretends to be a bankrupt and a defaulter. How this peculiar proceeding brings about the desired result would be a long story to tell. But its effect is immediate and salutary. Mr. Crane's rôle is an easy one for him, and he carries it with his accustomed spirit and drollery.

Charles Coghlan in Harlem.

Charles Coghlan is this week's star at the Harlem Opera House, and his polished and eloquent impersonation of James Clarence, the actor, in his own clever adaptation of the "Kean" of Dumas père drew a large audience last night. While the subject of this drama is not of vital importance, and the moralizing and the heroics of the hero are not much more edifying than his drunken humors and his flirtation with other man's wife, the story is told simply and effectively, the supposed action of life "behind the scenes" is always of interest to the curious crowd, the atmosphere is unusual, and the pictorial side of the play is very pleasing. The performance is of more than common merit.

Theatres and Music Halls.

KEITH'S UNION SQUARE THEATRE.—Patrice in a spectacular Oriental sketch, the funny Rogers brothers, Clifford and Huth, C. T. Aldrich, and Mlle. Rombello are in this week's bill.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.—This week's play at Mr. Pitou's west side theatre is "Eight Bells," the pantomimic farce in which the Brothers Byrne, acrobatic comedians, are the chief performers.

FOURTEENTH STREET THEATRE.—"The Girl from Paris" is presented here this week, with a "consolidated" company, made up of members of two of Mr. E. E. Rice's traveling organizations. Georgia Caine, Anna Buckley, and D. L. Don have prominent roles.

LYCEUM THEATRE.—The stock company having started on its Spring tour of other towns, Mr. Garrett P. Serviss occupied the stage of Mr. Frohman's playhouse last evening. The subject of his illustrated lecture was "Spain." To-night he will treat of "Peter the Great." The house will be closed Friday night.

EDEN MUSEE.—The new cinematograph views shown at the Eden Musée last night consisted of scenes in and about Havana, including several scenes connected with the Maine, both before and after the explosion. The workings of the divers are plainly seen. The patriotic selections by the orchestra were also warmly received. The Passion Play received as much attention as usual.

COLUMBUS THEATRE.—The "all-star" performances of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" may be cordially recommended to Harlem playgoers. The "new version" of Messrs. Harkins and Barbour may or may not be better than all the innumerable old versions, but there is some sort of appreciable form and spirit in the acting. The cast includes Jefferys L

BRITAIN GETS WEI-HAI-WEI

To be Turned Over When China Has Paid the War Indemnity and Japan Evacuates.

RUSSIA AND GERMANY OUTDONE

The Arrangement Made After an Understanding with Japan Which Was Kept a Secret—The Place to be Strongly Fortified.

LONDON, April 4.—It was semi-officially announced this afternoon that Great Britain has made arrangements with China to take over the port of Wei-Hai-Wei, on the Shang-Tung Peninsula, when the Chinese Government has paid the war indemnity due to Japan and the Japanese troops have evacuated the place.

The arrangement, it is added, was made with the knowledge and approval of Japan, with which country an understanding had previously been arrived at. The latter fact was kept secret until China had actually agreed to the lease and the British fleet had assembled in the vicinity.

It is said on good authority that neither Russia nor Germany is pleased at the arrangement, and it is added that the Island of Leu-Kung-Tau, at the entrance of Wei-Hai-Wei, will be strongly fortified. It is said to be capable of being successfully defended, while the land batteries destroyed by the Japanese can speedily be reconstructed.

COALING STATION FOR FRANCE.

Place at the Mouth of the Min River to be Demanded.

LONDON, April 5.—The Pekin correspondent of The Times says:

"The indications are that France will demand a coaling station at the mouth of the Min River, near Fu-Chou, Province of Fo-Kien, where the French engineers control the arsenal and dock. The delay in the concession of the recent French demands is attributed to English opposition and the lack of Russian support."

REDMOND LOSES HIS TEMPER.

In the Commons He Denounces a Sailor's Sentence for Wearing the Shamrock and Is Put Out.

LONDON, April 4.—There was a scene in the House of Commons to-day on the acknowledgment by the First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. George J. Goschen, that a seaman belonging to the British first-class battleship Resolution had been sentenced to a fortnight's confinement in a cell and to be deprived of his good conduct badge for wearing the shamrock on St. Patrick's Day in disobedience of orders.

Mr. Goschen explained that it was a matter of discipline, whereupon Mr. William Redmond, Parnellite member for East Clare, hotly replied to Mr. Goschen, and was called to order by the Speaker, Mr. William Court Gully. Mr. Redmond, however, persisted, and was again called to order by the Speaker, who declared that his conduct was grossly disorderly.

Mr. Redmond refused to resume his seat, and said that at the risk of being grossly disorderly, he must denounce as an outrage the sentencing of a sailor to a fortnight's imprisonment for wearing the shamrock. The remark was followed by loud cries of "Order!"

The Speaker then drew the attention of the House to Mr. Redmond's conduct and called upon him to withdraw, but Mr. Redmond did not leave his seat until the Sergeant at Arms advanced, when he yielded and followed that officer out of the House, repeating: "It is an outrage."

In an interview later, Mr. Redmond confessed he lost his temper. But he claimed there was some provocation in the action of the Speaker in hastily cutting him short, as he intended to appeal to Mr. Goschen to mitigate the seaman's punishment.

NICARAGUA CANAL SURVEY.

No Longer Any Doubt of the Feasibility of the Ochoa Dam—The Party in Castillo.

CASTILLO, Nicaragua, March 21.—In spite of revolutions, abortive and otherwise, threats of war on the Costa Rican border and failure of supplies in various directions, the survey under the Nicaragua Canal Commission goes on. This is especially true of the hydrographic party under Lieut. G. C. Hanus, U. S. N., and the transit party working in connection with them, under charge of Francis Lee Stuart. These parties have now reached the Toro Rapids, and by the end of this week they will be in Castillo. This means that the survey of the canal route will then be completed from twenty miles west of San Carlos, in the lake, to a point half way down the San Juan River from San Carlos to Ochoa. This upper half of the river is the more important in case of the adoption of the Ochoa dam scheme, for everything below Castillo would be deep enough without any dredging once the dam was built and the level of the lake raised and maintained at 110 feet. The boring party have finished at the Ochoa dam site, and have found rock at a depth of twenty feet below sea level. This settles the practicability of the dam. It may cost more than previous estimates have called for, but it has been asserted that the dam could not be built. Now it is known it can be built.

This dam is a much vexed question. It was at first proposed to make the Ochoa dam both a dam and a weir. That is, the water when high would flow over its summit and thus escape to the Atlantic by the old bed of the San Juan River.

That there will be surplus water is admitted on all sides, but the methods of disposing of it have been various. Mr. E. S. Wheeler, Chief Engineer of the present commission, proposes a plan which will probably solve the problem. This scheme is to build the dam higher than any possible level and throw the water westward over a weir on the Pacific side, whenever there is a surplus. This is a completely new departure, and, as such, deserves consideration from all who take an interest in great engineering undertakings.

The boring party are at present at work about the entrance of the San Juan River from the lake. No reports as to the results of these borings have yet reached Castillo.

AGAINST SUNDAY FUNERALS.

The Kansas City Ministers Make an Effort to Stop Them.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 4.—The Ministers' Alliance, at its meeting to-day, appointed a committee to confer with the undertakers and with the cemetery associations to bring about the abolishment of Sunday funerals. The ministers contend that Sunday funerals require unnecessary manual labor on the part of cemetery employes, while the Sunday funeral overtaxes the energy of the minister who conducts the services, since he already has as much work in his regular Sunday programme as any man ought to do.

The ministers adopted a resolution to the effect that the Sunday funeral very generally desecrates the day, and it frequently outrages the finer and more delicate sensibilities of the sorrow-stricken whose dead are being laid to final rest.

GOOD RE-ELECTED MAYOR.

Democrats Ousted by the Garfield Law at Springfield, Ohio, Get Back.

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, April 4.—John M. Good, the Democratic Mayor ousted under the Garfield law for using too much money at the Spring election, was triumphantly re-elected to-night by a majority of 772 over his Republican opponent, T. J. Kirkpatrick.

A bitter fight was made against Good, and the issue drawn was on a wide-open town and a law and order loving administration on the other. Good was the representative of the first-named. The fight against Good was precipitated by Edward Calhoun, President of the Trades' Assembly, who claimed Good had violated his anti-election promise not to use appointive power politically. Good made appointments of Deputy Sheriffs and Police Admin at Trades' Assembly meeting.

KINGS COUNTY DEMOCRATS.

James Moffatt Re-elected Chairman—Some Effects of the New Primary Law.

The Democratic County Committee of Kings County met last night in the Jefferson Building, in Brooklyn, and organized for 1898. The intent of the meeting was to keep the organization officially intact until a new committee is organized under the new primary election law. James Moffatt, last year's Chairman, presided. As soon as the roll was called the election of officers was declared in order, and F. M. McCaffry of the Sixth District nominated Mr. Moffatt to succeed himself. There was no opposition. William A. Doyle and August H. Tiemann were chosen First and Second Vice Presidents, Robert T. Brown Secretary, Michael J. Cummings Corresponding Secretary, and Arthur C. Salmon Treasurer.

Commissioner York's motion that when the committee adjourn it adjourn until next Monday was adopted, as was his resolution that the Executive Committee be empowered to submit such changes in the rules and regulations of the General Committee as were necessary to make them conform to the general primary and election laws.

State Senator McCarren will probably be named Chairman of the Executive Committee at to-morrow night's meeting. His attitude of uncompromising opposition to Tammany's attempt to dictate the local distribution of patronage has gained him many supporters, and it is not thought likely that there will be any opposition to him.

Eight of the Brooklyn Assembly district leaders are pleased at the increased representation which the new primary law will give them in the County Committee; nine are displeased, and four are indifferent. The number of delegates will remain the same as it is now, 210, but the number from each district must be determined by the vote cast for Governor in 1896. The total vote for Wilbur F. Porter in Kings County was 80,285. Divided by 210, that will give one delegate to the County Committee for each 382 votes. By that reckoning the Second, Third, Seventh, Ninth, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fourteenth, and Twenty-first will gain, while the losers will be the First, Fifth, Sixth, Eighth, Tenth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth, and Nineteenth. There will be no change in the Fourth, Eleventh, Eighteenth, and Twentieth Districts.

Senator McCarren's district, the Fourteenth, is the greatest gainer, while Commissioner Shea's, the Seventeenth, is the greatest loser.

LOVING CUP FOR T. F. GRADY.

"Tim" Sullivan and Others Banquet the Senator at the Hoffman House.

The Bowery did itself proud last night, but it was in a place far distant from the famous thoroughfare, for Senator Timothy D. Sullivan and fifteen friends had chipped in $200 each, with which to banquet Senator Thomas F. Grady and to present to him a gigantic loving cup. The banquet hall of the Hoffman House was the place chosen for the feast, for there was no place on the Bowery or on the streets adjacent fitted for the splendor of the occasion, and besides, the banquet called for the conventional claw-hammer and tile, which is not much in favor in political circles on the east side. Senator Sullivan, like Congressman Bailey of Texas, never wore one, and never will, he says, and attended the banquet last night in a Prince Albert. There were elaborate floral decorations, the menu was a dream, and the menu cards were silver-backed mirrors, with the monogram of the guest engraved on each. It had a cover of satin, on which was a hand-painted figure of an Indian.

The cup, which cost $2,000, stands 2 feet high and weighs exactly nine pounds. The donors were Senator Sullivan, Councilman Martin Engel, Assemblyman Timothy P. Sullivan, Florence J. Sullivan, Daniel O'Reilly, Alderman Frederick F. Fleck, Louis Leavitt, Thomas P. Dinneen, George J. Kraus, Thomas F. Foley, Michael C. Padden, Walter G. Keech, Martin Gilligan, Joseph Dunn, John C. Fitzgerald, and William B. Calvert. Senator Sullivan made the presentation speech.

Anti-Platt Republicans Meet.

Ex-Mayor Strong presided last night at an executive meeting of the Ways and Means Committee of the Republicans of the City of New York. The meeting was held at the headquarters in the St. James Building. It was decided to establish district headquarters in each Assembly district, and to appoint workers to supervise the new enrollment. Secretary Samuel G. French announced that encouraging reports had been received from all quarters and the organization was confident of carrying a majority of the districts against the Platt Republicans.

Democratic Club Affairs.

Forty applicants were admitted to membership in the Democratic Club at the regular meeting of the Board of Governors last night. A committee was appointed to supervise the alterations to the clubhouse, which are to be begun almost immediately, and a second committee was appointed to find temporary quarters for the members while the repairs and alterations are being made.

New Tammany Society Members.

Eleven new members were initiated at last night's meeting of the Tammany Society and twenty-one applications for membership were filed. Thomas F. Smith, the recently appointed Chief Clerk of the City Court, was elected Grand Scribe of the society pro tem. On April 17 the annual election of officers will be held, and it is expected that he will be confirmed in the office.

DR. BARROWS RESIGNS.

Illinois Pastor Called to a Congregational Church at Greenwich.

ROCKFORD, Ill., April 4.—Dr. Walter Manning Barrows of the Second Congregational Church has resigned.

At the morning service Sunday he read a letter asking that his pastoral relations be severed, and that immediate action be taken. Dr. Barrows will accept a call recently extended from a Congregational church at Greenwich, Conn. He is a brother of Dr. John Henry Barrows of Chicago.

JOHN NEESE TO BE SENT HERE.

His Sister Will Care for Him—The Chicago Agent Fails to Get the Boy.

CHICAGO, April 4.—E. Wright of 645 Sixty-first Street, Chicago, agent for the New York Juvenile Asylum, this morning made a demand on Chief of Detectives Colleran for the custody of John Neese, the boy whom the police have had in charge for several days.

The police refused to give up the boy, and Wright now declares he will secure an order from the County Court compelling the youth's release. Before this can be done the boy will be on his way to New York City, where he will be cared for by his sister, Mrs. Joseph Woods of 70 East Ninety-fourth Street. Capt. Colleran received a letter from Mrs. Woods this morning, inclosing money for the railroad fare.

ACCUSES HIM OF MURDER.

Holdridge's Friend Says He Killed a Watchman Fourteen Years Ago.

John Holdridge was accused by Herman P. Havender, in the Centre Street Police Court, yesterday, of committing a murder fourteen years ago. The murder was committed, the complainant said, at Astor's Tunnel, near Barrytown, N. Y., where the mutilated body of a watchman for the New York Central Railroad, named Dyckman, was found in a cabin.

Havender and Holdridge were friends at the time, and both lived at Barrytown. Havender was clerk of the Coroner's jury that considered the case. For years the murder remained a mystery. Recently the two men, long after moving away from Barrytown, met by chance in a lodging house at 260 Pearl Street. They have been living there since. Havender told Magistrate Simms that Holdridge, while intoxicated, had confessed to him the murder of Dyckman. Holdridge denied that he had made a confession.

On Havender's statement Holdridge was committed to the Tombs without bail. The police will communicate with the Dutchess County authorities.

Southern Steamers Return.

The Clyde steamer Comanche, which arrived yesterday from Jacksonville and Charleston, brought 326 cabin passengers.

They are mostly people who have been spending the winter in Florida and other Southern resorts.

THE CANAL COMMISSION.

Actual Investigation Began with Examination of State Engineer and Surveyor Adams.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 4.—The Canal Commission recently appointed by the Governor to investigate the expenditure of the $9,000,000 for canal improvement, met at 3 o'clock to-day and began its actual investigation. Of the seven Commissioners, Messrs. Clinton, Weed, McEchron, and Brainard were present.

The work of the commission to-day was devoted to an examination of State Engineer and Surveyor Adams, which was conducted by Attorney Blackmar, counsel to the commission. Mr. Adams's examination was of a preliminary nature. It was devoted to the gathering of all the facts in the possession of the State Engineer's Department relative to the condition of the canals before the improvement was commenced, and also of the original construction of the canals.

Testimony was also given by Mr. Adams as to the method which had been pursued in making the necessary preparations for the improvement and the manner in which the work had been laid out, and how much of the canals were under contract for improvement.

As no canal contracts have been awarded since the first of the year Mr. Adams's testimony was but a reiteration of the voluminous report made public by him on the condition of the canal improvement when it was formally announced that it would take $7,000,000 more to complete the improvement.

After holding a hearing for three hours an adjournment was taken until 10 o'clock to-morrow when the examination of Mr. Adams will be continued on the same lines.

Chairman Clinton announced that the engineers of the commission would make a personal inspection of the entire canal improvement next week, and that the Commissioners will personally inspect certain portions of the work. This will enable them to get a footing on which to work intelligently. After this has been accomplished the investigation of the accounts and contracts will begin.

BILLS BEFORE THE GOVERNOR.

List of Hearings to be Given During the Present Week.

ALBANY, April 4.—Gov. Black will give hearings this week upon these bills:

Tuesday—At 11:30 A. M., the Committee on Judiciary bill prohibiting the placing out of children by charitable institutions except under regulations to be adopted by the State Board of Charities; at 12:30 P. M., the New Rochelle charter measure.

Wednesday—At 11:30 A. M., the Eldridge bill amending the State railroad law in various particulars relative to street railways.

Thursday—At 11:30 A. M., Senator Page's bill prohibiting the sale of liquor in department stores; at 3 P. M., the bill compelling railroad companies to issue mileage books for 500 miles as well as 1,000 miles each.

Friday—At 11 A. M., the bill authorizing the city of Buffalo to use a strip of the sea wall for its highway purposes.

TWO LUNAR HALOS SEEN.

A Beautiful Phenomenon in the Sky Watched by Thousands of Persons.

Two lunar halos appeared in the heavens last night shortly after 8 o'clock, and presented a picture that was admired by thousands. Street corners were occupied by groups who watched the phenomenon until it disappeared.

The moon was nearly full, and as the sky was clear it shone brightly. One of the halos was an arc, having the moon for its centre, and the other, a ring, bisected this arc, and the southern end of the ring passed through the moon. The large ring was of a brilliant white and the arc soon after it appeared gradually assumed the colors of a beautiful rainbow. The colors then gradually faded away, but the points of intersection of the two halos and the point in the centre of the arc grew brighter and brighter, and looked like sun dogs.

At the Weather Bureau it was said that there was nothing unusual in the phenomenon, and that the halos were caused by the refraction of the moon's light passing through ice crystals floating in the air. The refraction of the moon's light on cumulo-stratus and alto-stratus clouds would give the same effect.

At this time, when every one is looking for war or rumors of war, those who are superstitious were inclined to regard the phenomenon as an omen, but of what kind no one seemed to be able to figure out. As it took the form of a bow, some took it as an omen of peace. By 9:30 o'clock it had faded completely away.

ROUGH PLAY MAY BE FATAL.

John Miller Held Responsible for Injuries of Edward Egan.

John Miller, a porter in the New York Trade School, at First Avenue and Seventy-seventh Street, was arrested yesterday on a charge of having inflicted possibly fatal injuries upon Edward Egan, aged sixteen, of Tompkins Avenue, New Brighton, S. I., a pupil in the school, from which he is likely to die.

The two were playing in the school a couple of weeks ago, and Miller struck Egan with a broomstick in the stomach. Egan was taken home, complaining of pain in the abdomen, and the family physician said there was danger of peritonitis. The boy grew gradually worse.

In the Yorkville Police Court yesterday Miller was remanded for further examination. He was then taken to Egan's bedside and was positively identified by him. It has been found that Egan's skull was fractured.

THEATRICAL GOSSIP.

The Casino management have decided to give a revival of "The Lady Slavey" beginning May 2. The cast will be an all-star one and includes Thomas Seabrooke, Walter Jones, Julius Steger, Marie Dressler, Charles Kirk, Richard Carle, Edna Wallace Hopper, and others.

Miss Pearl J. G. Gardner, a member of Edward Harrigan's "Old Lavender" company, and William J. Hanley, manager of the company, were married last Wednesday by Judge Timmony of the Criminal Court in Salt Lake City. The bride is eighteen years old, and is a resident of Chicago. Mr. Hanley is a resident of this city.

At the matinée performance of the Empire Theatre stock company on Wednesday afternoon of "Under the Red Robe," at the Empire Theatre, the company will, with a few exceptions of some minor roles, comprise the original company, and on this occasion J. E. Dodson, who will play the part of Cardinal Richelieu, makes his first appearance since his severe illness, which took him from the stage about a year ago.

Henry Miller is in receipt of a letter from England under date of March 18, from Stuart Ogilvie, the author of "The Master," in which he conveys to Mr. Miller his thanks for the great artistic qualities he brought to bear upon the illustration of his work. Mr. Ogilvie further expressed the deepest gratification for so brilliantly introducing an unknown author to this Nation. The performance of "The Master" last night at the Garden Theatre was the fifteenth, and silver cart trays were distributed.

It is said that an effort will be made to organise a stock company in this city, giving such performances as "The Romany Rye," "The Lights o' London," "The Crust of Society," "The Banker's Daughter," and other standard plays, and the company to comprise Frank Mordaunt, Mabel Amber, Una Abell, Marion Abbott, Edgar Davenport, Edwin Arden, Edward S. Abeles, Robert McWade, Lester Wallack, William Seymour, and others. The promoters of the enterprise are in hopes of giving their first performance on April 25 at the Columbus Theatre, the play being "Rosedale."

The testimonial to be tendered Max Freeman in commemoration of his twentieth anniversary as a stage director and producer of comic opera, which takes place at the Casino next Sunday evening, promises to be successful in every detail. An orchestra of forty pieces will occupy the stage, and music of the following composers engaged by them will be rendered: Reginald De Koven, Victor Herbert, Julian Edwards, Gustave Kerker, Ludwig Englander, Charles Puerner, Alfred G. Norville, Frank Pixley, Charles Swartz, Arthur Pryor, Carlos Hasselbrink, Alex Davis, Joseph Vandenberg, Charles Daunin, and Max Gotzkal. The artists who will appear include Julius Steger, Richard Carroll, Pauline Hall, Edna Wallace Hopper, Merri Osborn, Marie Dressler, Harry Fairleigh, William Broderick, Oscar Girard, Joseph Sheehan, Fred Hallen, Adele Ritchie, Marie Jansen, Hallie Fuller, Mary Jane Hathaway, Harry Davis, George Lashbrooke, Jamie Collins, Grace Cohen, Eddie Foy, Charles Bigelow, Mark Sullivan, Ada Lewis, Lillian Russell, Della Fox, Lillian Sisters, Max Rosenbecker Family.

TALKS ON SPAIN AND CUBA

Speakers at a Meeting in Plymouth Church Favor Further Efforts for Peace.

ADDRESS BY PROF. W. S. PERRY

He Tells of His Recent Visit to Spain—William Willis Howard, Just Returned from Cuba, Also Interests a Large Audience.

A public meeting was held last night in Plymouth Church to consider certain phases of the Cuban question. The Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott presided, and speeches were made by Prof. Walter S. Perry of Pratt Institute, who has just returned from Spain; William Willis Howard, who has just returned from Cuba, and Thomas G. Shearman. The meeting was to be in the lecture room, but so many people came that the audience was allowed to go into the church.

"There are times," said Dr. Abbott in opening the meeting, "when a great democracy must follow its leader, provided its leader has proved himself worthy of being followed. Such a time this seems to me to be, and such a leader President McKinley seems to me to be. [Applause.] I hardly think the American people generally realize how much he has already accomplished by pacific measures.

"I for one shall trust the President, shall wait to hear what he has to say, sure that he will not say war if war can be avoided; ready to follow him if he calls on us for that last and awful resort, and hoping and praying, as I believe he hopes and prays, that Cuban relief, Cuban succor, Cuban liberty, if not literally Cuban independence, can be secured by pacific measures."

Prof. Perry's Experience.

Dr. Abbott then introduced Prof. Perry to speak on his observations in Spain. Prof. Perry said, in part:

"Judging from all that has been said to me since my return, I ought to think myself lucky to have escaped from Spain with my life, but the people are most courteous, polite, and hospitable to visitors. The fact that I was an American made no difference whatever. I never traveled among a people who treated me more courteously."

The military discipline of Spain Prof. Perry declared to be exceedingly lax, but added that the Spanish were brave, and when aroused would fight desperately. The people of Spain, he said, knew little of the Cuban war, and did not believe it was waged with cruelty. "To them," he said, "it is a question of real sorrow for so many of the youth of their land who have gone to that far-away island, never to return. Such has been the drain on the population that boys ranging from sixteen to twenty years of age are being sent to Cuba, while their mothers resort to the churches and pray for their safe return, and in all sincerity and faith make offerings upon the altar of gold and silver.

"It is not the masses who are at fault; it is such brutes as Gen. Weyler, against whom no language can be too severe. So far as I can learn, the majority of the Spanish people hold him in supreme contempt, and say that he has prolonged the war to fatten his own purse. The Spaniard does not desire war with the United States; he is not creating strife. The best men of Spain have been at their wits' end to know what to do. Revolution is threatening the Government. The Queen Regent has at all times had to face a most trying position, and yet this woman has shown much tact and wisdom. With the Carlists threatening the throne, with the republican spirit threatening the Government, with war in Cuba and the Philippines, with wretched finances, with changes of Ministry, she has given wise counsel, and holds the reins of power with firmness. She has done everything in her power to avoid war, but knows too well that to yield too much at one time means most disastrous internal revolution."

A Mausoleum Nearly Filled.

Prof. Perry spoke of the mausoleum of the Spanish Kings, where the monarchs from Charles V. down are buried, and noted as strange and ominous the fact that only two niches are left in the mausoleum—one for the Queen Regent and one for the young King.

The rest of his address was an earnest plea for pacific measures until the last resource of diplomacy had been tried. One sentence which aroused applause was, "President McKinley is a statesman and a Christian, and a man altogether worthy of his high position." Spain had felt, up to a short time ago, that she had the moral support of the world, and this was true because our position had been misunderstood, and it had been thought that we wished to annex Cuba. Now that our position was understood sentiment was veering to our side, and when Spain understood this she would yield, provided concessions were asked one at a time, even if the last concession asked was the independence of Cuba.

Mr. Howard's address was confined to the outlining of a plan for aiding the reconcentrados. He declared that, all reports to the contrary notwithstanding, the reconcentrados are free to return to their homes, and many of them have done so. Those who remain in the towns stay there because they do not know what else to do. His plan was to rent a large tract of land, place a competent American at the head of it, and employ the reconcentrados as farm hands, thus aiding them without making them paupers.

The last speaker was Thomas G. Shearman, who advocated pacific and diplomatic means of dealing with the Cuban question.

The Mycological Club.

The New York Mycological Club held its annual meeting last evening at the College of Pharmacy, 115 West Sixty-eighth Street, and elected these officers: President—Dr. H. G. Piffard; Vice Presidents—Dr. W. C. Deming, Dr. William B. Garside, Miss Cornelia C. Bidford; Secretary—Mrs. M. C. G. Witte; Treasurer—Thomas J. Keenan; Executive Committee—Robert C. Moore, Mrs. G. W. Conklin, Dr. Mary L. Edwards, C. W. Cushier, and Mrs. W. P. Long.

Against the Eldridge Bill.

At a meeting of the Trustees of St. Luke's Hospital, held yesterday afternoon, a resolution was adopted providing for the appointment of a committee of one or more to go before the Governor at Albany to protest against the Eldridge bill, which would permit the Third Avenue Railroad Company to change the motive power of its cars in Amsterdam Avenue.

HUMANITY VS. HUMANITY.

We have shone among the nations as a light set on a hill;
They could keep their standing armies, they could fight, and rend and kill;
Round the world the whirr of battles might tremble and increase,
But we were strong in quietness, and mighty in our peace.

Shall we quench that light in darkness, and go back to other days?
Leave the larger Christian methods, and return to heathen ways?
Shall we trick our ears with falsehood and deceive ourselves with lies?
Shall a thinking Christian people lose its reasoning in cries?

"Humanity! Humanity!" Our cry is all of these;
Oh, Humanity is broader than a single cause can be!

To us had dawned the vision of Humanity, indeed;
In this new land there had been born a new and nobler creed;
If now we fail to guard that trust—that light upon the hill—
Forget our revelation—and again wage war and kill;
We may help a little island in a corner of the earth—
But the larger, true Humanity will be strangled at its birth.

—KATRINA TRASK.

New York, April 1, 1898.

TRAINING SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

New Enterprise Started at the Windsor—Chancellor M. Depew &c. Speak Encouragingly.

An audience listened at the Windsor yesterday afternoon to the discussion of "A Model Manual Training School for Girls," on which Miss Margaret Pickering Pascal read a paper. She discussed plans for a school which would turn out skilled laborers in housework and dressmaking, and before the session was through a scheme to erect it had been started.

The Rev. Dr. Charles H. Eaton presided, and ex-Mayor Hewitt, ex-Mayor Strong, Assistant Secretary Theodore Roosevelt, John Vinton Dahlgren, J. Kennedy Tod, and Chauncey M. Depew, who made a stirring speech, were among the indorsers of the movement. Miss Pascal's paper describing the various departments of the proposed school aroused much interest, and Mrs. Theodore Sutro delivered a eulogy on its author and her work.

J. D. Cola of Bombay, India, followed, and said that Lady Brooke, now Countess of Warwick, had started in London an institution in which girls were taught to make laces, and then induced her fashionable friends to buy them.

The subject of the manual training school awakened a trend of sociological discussion and brought out a speech from Dr. Depew. He said that he had just been reading the book written by Walter C. Wyckoff, descriptive of his two years' experience as a laborer in various trades, undertaken for sociological study.

"In reading the pages of his current work in serial form," said Mr. Depew, "I almost came to the conclusion that our modern civilization, with all its luxury and refinement, is based on a volcano, the cap of which might come off at any moment and involve us in a rack and ruin like that of the French Revolution, unless some remedy can be found by which common labor can be assisted out of its plight, and some career opened up for it. If things are so bad for an untrained man, how much worse for a girl.

"Fifty years ago, when a large proportion of the people lived in the country and living was cheaper, every one could manage to get on. But in our own time all that has passed away. Technical schools turn out so many trained workers now that untrained labor has no show. People don't want to wear ill-fitting gowns and antiquated hats nowadays, and the unskilled dressmaker or milliner is of no use. It is Hood's 'Song of the Shirt' all over again. The song is the moan of the multitude of common labor.

"We hear a good deal about heaven and hell, but the difference between heaven and hell isn't a circumstance to that between $10 and $8 a week. People don't want charity and pauperising. They want the God-given chance to earn their own bread, and that's what we must help them to do."

R. A. Carden, O. W. Buddington, and Mrs. M. W. Lent each gave a scholarship of $10 toward Miss Pascal's enterprise, and Mr. Cola volunteered to give a lecture on India for the cause. Miss Paulding, Mrs. A. H. Eaton, Mrs. W. L. Strong, Mrs. J. Kennedy Tod, Mrs. Howard Potter, and Mrs. R. H. Lynde were among the members of a Committee on Organization appointed.

HANCOCK—HEATH.

A Baltimore Naval Militia Man Marries a New York Woman.

The wedding in this city on Sunday night of Frederic Hancock, Assistant City Commissioner of Baltimore, and Miss Katrine Heath of this city, ended an interesting romance.

The bride and bridegroom knew each other as children in the South, and were parted by the bride coming to this city. Later they met as students at Maryland College, Baltimore, and the old affinity being renewed, they became engaged. Miss Heath returned to this city, and Mr. Hancock entered the political arena, and attained considerable prominence in Baltimore, where his father, Major A. M. Hancock, was also a politician of wide acquaintance.

A short while ago the couple decided to marry, in view of the fact that Mr. Hancock was next in line as Lieutenant in the Naval Militia of Maryland might soon call him to the front, and he therefore obtained a week's leave, without telling his friends of his intention, and came North on Saturday. The bride was staying with her mother, Mrs. Flora C. Heath, at her home, One Hundred and Third Street and West End Avenue, and arrangements were made to have the wedding take place on Sunday night. It was performed in the parlors of the Marble Collegiate Church, Twenty-ninth Street and Fifth Avenue, directly after the evening service, by the pastor, the Rev. Dr. David J. Burrell. There were no attendants. Mr. Hancock's friends received the news by telegraph and sent congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. Hancock went to the Waldorf-Astoria to stay. They will leave the hotel for the South this afternoon. Mr. Hancock was born in China, and his political friends know him as "Chinese" Hancock.

Mayer—Eichberg.

Miss Florence Eichberg, daughter of Mrs. Caroline Eichberg, was married at 6 o'clock last evening at the home of her mother, 240 Lenox Avenue, to J. W. Mayer. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. Harris of Temple Israel. The bride, who was given away by Simon Sichel, wore a gown of white satin, trimmed with point lace, and diamond ornaments. The bridesmaids were Miss Frances Stern and Miss Ninetta Eichberg. Milton Mayer was best man. The couple will go to Atlantic City for two weeks, and then make an extended tour through Europe.

A WAR POEM FOR SOROSIS.

Several Women Also Give Their Views on Literature.

A war poem by Mrs. Ella Dietz Clymer marked the martial sentiment at the regular monthly meeting of Sorosis yesterday. It was applauded, and then the club settled down to listen to papers upon literature.

The speakers of the day were Nellie L. Kingman, Chairman of the Committee on Literature; Genie H. Rosenfeld, Carrie Stowe Wait, Kathryn L. Bissell, Anna Randall Diehl, Agnes Warner Mastick, and Jennie de la M. Lozier.

MOTHERS' CONGRESS MEETING.

Interesting Topics Discussed at the Grand Central Palace.

The New York State Congress of Mothers met in the Grand Central Palace yesterday afternoon and evening. Mrs. Frances Schwedler Barnes presiding. At the afternoon session the Secretary of the Woman's National Sabbath Alliance, Mrs. Wellington White, spoke on "The Child." Edward Rawson, Principal of the Friends' Seminary; Mrs. George Wheeler, Mrs. McClary, Mrs. Almon Hansley, and Miss Marie R. Hofer also spoke.

Edward King, who lives and works among the east side poor, was the first speaker of the evening. He urged all of his hearers to put notions of superiority out of their minds and meet the poor on a level.

Francis H. Tabor gave an interesting account of his work among east side boys. "How to Secure the Confidence of Boys" was his subject. The first thing necessary, he said, is to gain a boy's affection. "You must be perfectly natural. Some ladies keep a voice for children as they do for poodles. You have got to talk to a boy like a friend."

Mrs. McClellan, Mrs. Cynthia Westover Alden, Dr. Jennie B. Merrill, and Mrs. Martin were among the other speakers.

Yale Glee and Banjo Clubs.

The Yale Glee and Banjo Clubs will take their annual Easter outing this year, leaving for Old Point Comfort on Thursday by way of the Old Dominion Line, with the usual contingent of friends and old Yale men.

JUMPED FROM A WINDOW.

Mrs. Delvana's Second Attempt at Suicide Successful.

Emma Delvana, a widow of 1,429 Bushwick Avenue, Brooklyn, made a second and successful attempt at suicide yesterday. She cut her throat with a bread knife on March 28, but was taken to St. Mary's Hospital in time to save her life.

She had sufficiently recovered yesterday to have an operation performed, and was taken to the operating room at 5 o'clock in the evening. While the physician was making the necessary preparations the woman managed to reach a window and jumped out. The window was on the third story, and Mrs. Delvana was picked up terribly mutilated. She died four hours later.

CHICAGO CARPENTERS STRIKE.

5,000 Men Go Out and the Contractors Are Coming to Their Terms—Plasterers Threaten to Strike.

CHICAGO, April 4.—The greatest strike of workmen in one trade in Chicago since the famous strike of 1890 began this morning, when 5,000 union carpenters refused to go to work until their employers signed the agreement adopted last week. The strike of the carpenters had the effect of forcing many workmen in other trades to quit, as nothing could be done by them on some buildings as long as the carpenters were not at work.

From reports received at headquarters the tie-up is practically complete, but many contractors have declared their willingness to sign the scale adopted in order to have their employes return to work. The indications are that the strike will be a short one as well as a complete victory for the carpenters.

At least 200 contractors called at the general headquarters of the carpenters before 2 o'clock to-day and said they were willing to sign the agreement. No work will be permitted before Wednesday morning. Contractors as well as property owners who have employed men directly will be subject to the rule, and no favors will be shown. It is believed that at least 3,500 strikers will return to work Wednesday for contractors and others who have signed the scale. Every contractor who refuses to pay the scale will have a strike of plasterers on his hands to-morrow.

WHOLE FAMILY DROWNED.

An Arkansas Traveling Man Meets Death Near His Home.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., April 4.—John W. Wenderdorf, his children, sister-in-law, and brother were drowned in the St. Francis River, near St. Francis, Ark., at 4 o'clock this afternoon. The party were pleasure riding on the river when a squall suddenly came up, capsizing the boat and drowning every member of the party.

Mr. Wenderdorf was on the road for a Memphis dry goods house, and stopped off at St. Francis yesterday to spend a few hours with his family.

Hilda Peterson Indicted.

The Grand Jury, in the April Term of the Supreme Court, began its sessions in Long Island City yesterday. Among the indictments was one against Hilda Peterson for the murder of her child at Rockville Centre. She may plead this morning. The indictment is for murder in the first degree.

DEATH LIST OF A DAY.

Mary Ella Pratt Houghton.

Mary Ella Pratt, the wife of Prof. Henry C. Houghton, and President of the American Female Guardian Society and Home for the Friendless, died suddenly of cerebral apoplexy on Sunday night at her home, 7 West Thirty-ninth Street. Mrs. Houghton was born in Yarmouth, Me., fifty-three years ago, and was educated at Mount Holyoke College. She left college in 1868 and married Dr. Houghton Dec. 29 of that year. Immediately after their marriage, Dr. and Mrs. Houghton settled in this city, and both joined the New England Church, in which Mrs. Houghton was baptized by immersion by the Rev. Henry Ward Beecher.

While in the New England Church, Mrs. Houghton formed a friendship that was lifelong with Helen E. Brown, the poetess, who interested her in the work of the American Female Guardian Society and Home for the Friendless, of which organization Mrs. Houghton soon became one of the Board of Managers. She was in succession a member of the Executive Committee, Vice President, and President.

After the disbandment of the New England Church, Mrs. Houghton joined the Church of the Disciples, and on the disruption of that church she reverted with her husband to the Broadway Tabernacle, where she was an active member up to the time of her death, and for many years associated with the Society for Woman's Work. She was a member and one of the organizers of the New York and Brooklyn Alumnæ of Mount Holyoke College, and was instrumental in securing some large gifts for the building of the new Mount Holyoke College.

Her husband and a brother and sister survive her. Mrs. Houghton had a severe attack of nervous prostration about eight weeks ago, and was confined to her bed up to Sunday night, when the final apoplectic stroke caused her death. The time of the funeral services, which will be held in the Broadway Tabernacle, has not been decided upon. The body will be shipped to Yarmouth, Me., for interment.

Thomas A. Ledwith.

Thomas A. Ledwith, who died on Friday last at his home, 28 West Seventy-second Street, was at one time prominent in this community, but for some years he had lived retired from public view. He was a native of New York City, having been born here in 1840. He studied law, and entered politics as a Democrat, but an active opponent of Tammany Hall. He obtained a considerable following and was elected to the Assembly in 1882, and then a Police Justice. To the latter office he was re-elected in 1869. In 1870 he was an unsuccessful candidate for the Mayoralty. In 1871 he made his peace with and joined Tammany Hall, and was a candidate for Judge of the Supreme Court, being defeated by George C. Barrett. He was elected to the State Senate in 1874 and then quitted public life.

Dr. William H. Johnston.

Dr. William H. Johnston, brother of Gov. Joseph F. Johnston, and one of the founders and the Dean of the Birmingham Medical College at Birmingham, Ala., died Sunday night from apoplexy, aged seventy-nine years. He was born in Lincoln County, N. C., educated in the State University, and served gallantly in the Twenty-third North Carolina Regiment, Confederate Army. After the war he was graduated in medicine at the University of the City of New York, was eighteen months at Bellevue Hospital, and practiced a while in New York City. In 1872 he moved to Selma, Ala., and in 1886 to Birmingham. He was in active and successful practice to the time of his death, and held important positions in medical associations. A widow and four children survive him.

Emil H. P. Mehl.

Emil H. P. Mehl died at his home, 912 Summit Avenue, Jersey City, on Sunday, from Bright's disease. Mr. Mehl was born in Germany in 1847. His parents came to this country in 1848

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THE FINANCIAL MARKETS

Stock Market Strong.

In response to the more pacific tone of the peace discussion and the consequently improved speculative sentiment, the stock market opened yesterday at a considerable advance above Saturday's closing. In the first fifteen minutes of business gains of from 3 to 4 points were common among the active stocks. Some advances, as that in Sugar Trust, were more than 6 points. Following this sensational opening came a quick reaction, in which the early gains were partly lost.

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The market's early strength was due chiefly to the higher prices for American stocks abroad. Early London quotations were at an advance of 1 to 3 per cent. above the New York Saturday closing on the report that Pope Leo had made his appearance as a mediator between Spain and the Cuban rebels. Responding to these bullish developments the short interest in Wall Street became panic-stricken, and in its rush to cover stocks brought about the violent advance. At the higher level so established there was considerable selling of stocks bought at the extreme declines last week, when many people bought securities which they had no intention of holding. When the excitement among the bears died away this selling broke the market again, and, as a result, before noon stocks were from 1-to 2 per cent. lower than their opening.

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Thereafter the Street showed a disposition to await news from Washington, it being generally expected that Congress would give some definite intimation as to its future course. After noon dullness characterized the market, and the failure of the powers that be at Washington to furnish any reasons for speculative activity was responsible for an uninteresting market up to 3 o'clock. In the last three hours but little more than 100,000 shares of stock changed hands. In the first two hours the transactions were in excess of 200,000 shares.

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Yesterday's market was largely professional. There were no evidences of activity on the part of the larger interests except in some few cases where insiders continued the policy of taking care of their own stocks. Wall Street heard many rumors during the day, but few of them carried confirmation, and they received scant attention. The afternoon inactivity was accompanied by firmness resulting from an absence of selling pressure.

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Government bonds were firmer. There were sales of $10,000 2s, registered, at 98; $2,000 4s, 1907, registered, at 109¼, and $10,000 do. coupon, at 110¾.

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Net changes in stock quotations of one-half of 1 per cent. or more were:

Stocks Advanced.

Am. Cotton Oil pf.	½	Mo., Kan. & Tex. pf.	1
Am. Spirits Mfg.	½	Missouri Pacific	1
Am. Sugar Ref.	2½	National Lead	1½
Am. Sugar Ref. pf.	2½	N. Y. Central	1¼
Am. Tobacco	2½	Norfolk & West. pf.	1½
A., T. & S. F. pf.	½	Northern Pacific	1
Ches. & Ohio	½	North. Pacific pf.	½
Chi., Bur. & Q.	2½	Pacific Mail	½
C., Mil. & St. Paul	2½	Penn. R. R.	½
Chi. & Northwest	1½	Peop. Gas Chicago	1½
Chi., R. I. & Pac.	2½	Reading 1st pf.	1½
C., C., C. & St. L.	½	Reading 2d pf.	½
Col. Fuel & Iron	1½	St. J. & G. I. 1st pf.	3
Consol. Gas	1½	St. Paul & Om.	½
Delaware & Hudson	1½	Southern Railway pf.	½
Del., Lack. & West.	5½	Tenn. Coal & Iron	1
Des. M. & Ft. D.	½	Third Avenue	1½
Erie 1st pf.	½	Union Pacific	½
Hawaiian Sugar	5½	Union Pacific pf.	1½
Illinois Central	½	U. S. Rubber pf.	3½
Louis. & Nash	1½	West Chi. Street	2
Manhattan Cons.	2½	West. Union Tel.	1¼
Michigan Central	2½		

Stocks Declined.

D., S. S. & A. pf.	½	N. Y. Air Brake	2

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Net changes in bond quotations of 1 per cent. or more were:

Bonds Advanced.

Am. Sp. Mfg. 6s	5	Mo., Kan. & Tex. 2d	1
A., T. & S. F. gen.	1	O. Imp. con. 5s, 5th inc. pd	1½
A., T. & S. F. adj.	1½	Or. Sh. Line, Inc. A	1¼
Brook. R. T. 5s	1	Rio Gr. West. 4s	1
Ches. & Ohio con.	1	Texas Pacific 1st	1
C. & 9th Av. 5s	1½	Texas Pacific 2d	1
Erie genl. 4s	1½	Union Pac. 4s	1½
Int. & Gt. North. 2d	2	Wabash 2d	2
K. C., Pitts. & G.	1½	Wis. Central 1st	3
Louis. & N. unif. 4s	1		

Bonds Declined.

Pitts. & West. 1st 1

BIDS FOR BANK STOCKS.

America	350	Germania	110
Chemical	900	Greenwich	165
Columbia	150	Hanover	390
Commerce	200	Merchants' Exch'ge	116
Garfield National	350	New Amsterdam	245

There was a sale of 10 shares of Columbia at 150.

MONEY AND EXCHANGE.

Money on call loans at 1½@4½ per cent., closing at 1½ per cent.

Time money, 4½ per cent. for sixty days and 5@6 per cent. for longer periods. Commercial paper rates, 5 per cent. for sixty to ninety days' indorsements, 5½@6 per cent. for choice four to six months' single names, and 6½@7 per cent. for good names.

Clearing House exchanges, $92,922,824; balances, $6,961,069; Sub-Treasury debit balance, $628,981.

Money on call in London, 2@2½ per cent. Discount in open market, 2 13-16@2¾ per cent. for both short and three months' bills.

Foreign exchange market was weaker. Posted rates were unchanged at $4.81½ for sixty days and $4.84½ for demand. Actual business was done at $4.80¾ for sixty-day bills, $4.83¼ for demand, $4.83¾ for cable transfers, and $4.80¾ for commercial.

In Continental, Paris francs were quoted at 5.23¾ for long and 5.22½ for short, reichsmarks at 93 15-16@94 and 94¾, and guilders at 39⅞ and 40@40 1-16.

New York exchange quoted as follows: Chicago—50c discount. Boston—50@12½c discount. San Francisco—Sight, 12½c premium; telegraphic, 15c premium. New Orleans—Commercial, $1 discount; bank, par. Savannah—Buying, par; selling, 1-10c premium. Charleston—Buying, par; selling, ⅛c premium. Cincinnati—Between banks, 60c discount; over counter, par. St. Louis—30c discount.

THE LONDON MARKET.

American shares were strong in the London market. The principal changes were: Advanced—St. Paul, 2½ to 93; Louisville and Nashville, 1¾ to 52¾; Illinois Central, 1¼ to 103¼; Erie first preferred, 1, to 34¾; Canadian Pacific, ¾, to 84; Pennsylvania, ⅝ to 58¾; Atchison, ⅝, to 11⅞; Erie, ¼ to 18⅛, and Reading, ¼, to 8¾. British consols advanced 5-16, to 111 3-16, for money, and 111 7-16 for the account.

The Bank of England gained £36,000 bullion on balance. The weekly statement of the Imperial Bank of Germany shows the following changes: Cash in hand decreased 62,190,000 marks; Treasury notes decreased 2,760,000 marks; "other" securities increased 168,880,000 marks; notes in circulation increased 298,880,000.

Gold was quoted in Buenos Ayres at 126.80 and in Rome at 105.97. In Paris, rentes sold at 103f. 37½c., and exchange on London was 25f. 20c.

METROPOLITAN IN GOOD SUPPLY.

Contrary to what might have been expected, Metropolitan Street Railway's gain yesterday was only fractional. Of late this stock has been the one in which the most violent fluctuations have taken place, and usually its net change has been larger than that in any other stock on the list. Yesterday, however, it made an advance of only one-fourth of 1 per cent. In the early trading the stock got up above 142, but it did not stay at that level for any length of time. Traders were buyers of the stock throughout the day, but they seemed to have no difficulty in getting all they wanted.

SOLD FOR EXPORT.

Gold to the amount of $1,000,000 was yesterday announced as engaged for exportation. Of this $375,000 is for Zunz, Loeb & Co., $375,000 for L. Von Hoffmann & Co., $250,000 for the National City Bank, and $250,000 for Kleyn & Co. This brings up the total engaged in or imported from Europe since Feb. 25 to $37,750,000. In addition to this there has been drawn from Australia by San Francisco banks $4,100,000, and it is reported that there is $2,050,000 more en route to San Francisco.

Sterling exchange was decidedly weak yesterday, responding to the strength of the New York money market and to the large offerings of investment bills. Rates for both sight and sixty-day sterling declined. Exchange market authorities look for further weakness, unless there is a further decline in money market rates. Large importations of gold are predicted for the coming week.

GOVERNMENT BONDS HIGHER.

Government bonds were strong yesterday, although the transactions in them were light, being confined to the old 4s and the registered 2s. The old 4s sold at 110¾. The new 4s, without transactions, closed at an advance of 1½ points over Saturday's closing bid. The bid prices for all the other issues of Governments were advanced fractionally. On the European Bourses Spanish is showed notable strength, selling up to 61½ in London.

THE ADVANCE IN COFFEE.

At the opening of the market yesterday Sugar Trust sold at 122. It closed on Saturday at 115¾. The whole market had a wild opening, but Sugar Trust's was the wildest of that of any stock on the list. At the same time sales were made at 122; they were also made at 115¾. Thereafter, in common with the rest of the market, the stock fell back rapidly, selling close to 117. It closed with a net gain of about 3 points for the day.

As a bull argument on Sugar Trust stock, its speculative friends are pointing to the advance of ½c. per pound in the price of coffee, which has been made by both the Arbuckles and the Sugar Trust's coffee trade branch. It is contended that this action is significant of a settlement of the whole fight between the Arbuckles and the Sugar Trust—the same story which has been used for a long time past by the bulls on the stock. The fact of the matter is probably that the advance in the price of coffee is due solely to the rumors of a tax on that staple in case of war. The coffee trade has been excited by this possibility for some time, and as the fears of war have grown more acute, the fears of a coffee tax have increased proportionately. The Sugar Trust's campaign against its competitors is not yet over.

CALL MONEY LOWER.

Call money rates declined yesterday, loans at the opening being made as high as 4½ per cent., and at the close as low as 1½ per cent. The lowering of rates was due to heavy offerings of call money by some of the larger banking houses and to the light demand for accommodation of that class. Time money continued firm. That market yesterday was not active, but rates remained without change. Bank officers are pointing out that it is only the small demand for money that is keeping rates from advancing further.

GRANGER STOCKS STRONG.

All the Granger stocks advanced 2 points and more yesterday, and at the opening showed gains of about 3 points over Saturday's closing. Bull speculators were buyers of St. Paul and Burlington on a large scale, and of the first-named stock the London houses were also heavy purchasers. Rock Island was active and strong, there being commission house buying of it, as well as large purchases by inside interests.

THE BUYING OF TOBACCO.

American Tobacco was notably strong yesterday, touching 108½, a new high figure for the present movement. The stock was bought and bid up by the same brokers who have been active in that way for some time past, and who are credited with acting for speculative interests in the management of the company. At no time recently has there been any outside buying of Tobacco Trust, even the bolder traders fearing to identify themselves with a stock in which there has been so much open manipulation.

IRON BUSINESS BOOMING.

In an article dealing in detail with the iron markets, The Pittsburg Dispatch says:

"Iron business continues to move along without seeming to pay any attention to war reports. The volume of transactions foots up well. Prices for leading products are steadily maintained, any variation being governed by time of delivery. Mills and furnaces are all running to their utmost capacity.

"The production report for April will be watched with considerable interest. It is expected to break all previous records. It would be difficult to find an establishment whose order books are not filled. Many of them will keep plants employed for many months to come.

"There is a good deal of inquiry for material, but bidding for the orders is so close that prices seem to have no chance of working upward. Buyers are also influenced by the evident anxiety of sellers; otherwise it is probable that larger lots would be taken, as consumption continues quite up to the highest mark, with no prospect of recession.

"Structural material appears to be wanted in Europe, one contract for 50,000 tons having been closed in Paris within the past few days. This order, however, was taken by mills on the Continent, and further sales are likely to be made by American houses, negotiations for which are now going on.

"European advices show a steady increase in production, accompanied, however, by rising prices for all kinds of raw material. This will, no doubt, stimulate business on this side."

WALL STREET TALK.

The following topics of interest were discussed in Wall Street yesterday:

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Declaration of Jersey Central's regular quarterly dividend of 1 per cent.

Bill authorizing lease of New York, Susquehanna and Western to Erie signed by Governor of New Jersey.

Arrival of heavy amounts of foreign gold.

Advance in price of coffee by both Woolson Spice Company and Arbuckle Brothers.

Continued purchases of gold in London for shipment to America.

Election in Chicago to-day. Legal holiday.

Early advance in Spanish 4s in London and Paris, followed by a decline later.

Increase of $3,761 in Norfolk and Western's net earnings for February.

Charter granted in Illinois to American Steel and Wire Company.

Decrease of $135,611 in Panama Railroad's net income for the year 1897.

Decrease of 600 tons in east-bound shipments from Chicago for the week, as compared with the previous week, but increase of 1,600 tons as compared with the corresponding week last year.

Annual meeting Union, Chicago and Alton and Joliet and Chicago railroads. Old Board of Directors re-elected.

Gold amounting to $2,000,000 expected to arrive at San Francisco tomorrow from Australia.

RAILWAY STATEMENTS.

The following railways reporting yesterday gross earnings for the fourth week in March showed increases:

Chicago Terminal Transfer	$600
Iowa Central	4,014
Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf	2,600
Kansas City & Suburban Belt	1,000
Wisconsin Central	182,317
	6,714

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The following showed decreases:

Ann Arbor	$4,300
Lake Erie & Western	300
Minneapolis & St. Louis	2,800
St. Joseph & Grand Island	4,300
Toledo & Ohio Central	1,000
Wheeling & Lake Erie	4,761

OUTSIDE SECURITIES.

In yesterday's market for outside securities a better tone was brought about at the opening through the generally improved Wall Street sentiment. Interest centred chiefly around Standard Oil, and before any stock was offered it made a gain of 14 points over the closing figure of Saturday. After a few sales there was a reaction of about 4 points. The stock closed with a net advance for the day of 11 points. There was a dull and narrow market for the other industrials, which were practically without sales. The remaining groups were almost devoid of activity.

Traction Quotations.

	Bid.	Asked.
Broadway & Seventh Avenue, ex div.	205	215
Broadway & Seventh Avenue 1st	109	110
Broadway & Seventh Avenue 2d	111	112
Broadway Surface 1st 5s	115	117
Broadway Surface 2d	100	107
Brooklyn City Railroad	196	201
Brooklyn, Bath & W. E. 5s	85	95
Brook. Elev. tr. c'ts, 2d asst. pd.	10	12½
Brook., Queens Co. & Suburban 5s	106	108
Buffalo Cross-town 5s	107	109
Buffalo Street Railway stock	78	80
Buffalo Street Railway cons.	109	111
Central Park, N. & E. River	177	185
Central Park, N. & E. River 1s	112	115
Columbus (Ohio) cons. stock	45	48
Columbus (Ohio) con. 6s	97	99
Eighth Avenue Railroad	310	325
42d St., Man. & St. Nicholas Av.	57	63
42d St., Man. & St. Nicholas Av. 1st	110	117
42d St., Man. & St. Nicholas Av. 2d	91½	96
Kings County Elevated	¾	2½
Nassau 1st 5s, (Brooklyn Trolley)	105	108
New Orleans Traction common	2	3
New Orleans Traction pf.	13	15
Ninth Avenue Railroad	128	134
Steinway R. R. Co. 6 p. c. 1st	115	117
Second Avenue Railroad 1st 5s	107½	108½
Sixth Avenue Railroad stock	195	210
Third Avenue Railroad	165	170
Twenty-third St. (Huckleberry)	11	11½
Union Railway stock	175	200
Worcester (Mass.) Traction	15	17
Worcester (Mass.) Trac. pf., ex div.	92	94

Ferry Securities.

Hoboken Ferry stock	85	88
Hoboken Ferry 5s	106	107
Metropolitan Ferry 5s	108	110
N. Y. & B. R. Ferry 5s	94	96
N. Y. & E. R. Ferry stock	72	74
Union Ferry	56	58
Union Ferry bonds	103	104

Natural Gas.

Fort Wayne Gas stock	78	81
Fort Wayne 1st 6s	89	91
Indianapolis Gas stock	115	125
Indianapolis Gas bonds	105	107
Lafayette Gas Company 1st 6s	90	91
Lafayette Gas Company stock	75	85
Logansport & Wab. Val. Gas stock	87	90
Logansport & Wab. Val. Gas	74	75
Ohio & Indiana stock	56	59
Ohio & Indiana bonds, ex int.	66	69

Illuminating Gas.

Amsterdam common	27	28
Amsterdam pf.	62	63
Buffalo (N. Y.) stock	27	28
Buffalo (N. Y.) 1st, with interest	91	93
Central Union 6s, guaranteed	100	101
Columbus Gas	87	90
Consolidated Gas bonds of N. Y.	75	80
Consolidated Gas of N. J.	16	21
Consumers' Gas (Jersey City) bonds	102½	104
Grand Rapids Gas stock	75	80
Mutual Gas Company of New York	210	225
Madison (Wisconsin) stock	58	60
N. J. & E. R. Gas Co. 1st	108	112
N. Y. & E. R. Gas Co. con.	104	106
Standard Gas, New York, pf.	145	155
Standard Gas, New York, 1st	113	114
Syracuse Gas stock	17	19
Syracuse Gas 1st 5 p. c. bonds	89	91
Western Gas Company	75	80
Western Gas Company bonds	100	101

Industrials.

American Bank Note	43	44
American Typefounders	38	41
Barney & Smith common	14	17
Cramps' Shipyard stock	68	75
Glucose common	37½	38½
Glucose preferred	90½	91½
Herring-Hall-Marvin	74	74
Herring-Hall-Marvin preferred	6	7
Hecker-Jones-Jewell Milling pf.	45	50
Hecker-Jones-Jewell Milling bonds	91	93½
Lorillard Company pf.	114	117
Malt common	22	23
Malt preferred, ex dividend	69	70
Michigan-Peninsular Car	9	13
Michigan-Peninsular 5 p. c. bonds	84	89
National Biscuit co.	22	24
National Biscuit pf.	76	80
Niagara Canal Con., new	6	8
Pennsylvania Coal	320	360
Pratt & Whitney	10	14
Pratt & Whitney pf.	55	59
Standard Oil Trust	363	367
Texas Pacific Land Trust	11	13
Trenton Potteries pf.	48	51
Union Typewriter	4¾	6
Union Typewriter 1st pf.	80	95
Union Typewriter 2d pf.	31	32½
Wagner Car Company	156	158½
Worthington Pump pf.	87	88½

The Miscellaneous List.

Acker, Merrall & Condit bonds	98	100
Anderson Tobacco Company	16	20
Central & South American Tel.	104	107
Commercial Cable stock	183	188
Hudson River Telephone stock	72	75
Iron Steamboat	2½	4¾
Iron Steamboat 5s	55	60
Electro-Pneumatic, ass't paid	¾	1¼
Madison Square Garden 2d	30	45
Metropolitan El., Chicago, 1st 5s	46	49
N. Y. & N. J. Telephone	140	145
North'n Pacific Telegraph Company	111	115
Trow Directory pf.	35	40
Wool Exchange	110	120

MINING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 4.—The official closing quotations for mining stocks to-day were as follows:

	Monday.	Saturday.
Alta	.16	.17
Alpha Con.	.07	.08
Andes	.13	.12
Belcher	.22	.22
Best & Belcher	.34	.32
Bullion	.07	.08
Caledonia	.24	.24
Challenge Con.	.29	.28
Chollar	.45	.45
Confidence	.75	.76
Con. Cal. & Va.	.85	.83
Con. Imperial	.01	.01
Con. New York	.02	.02
Crown Point	.24	.25
Gould & Curry	.24	.26
Hale & Norcross	1.30	1.30
Julia	.01	.01
Justice	.24	.24
Kentuck Con.	.04	.05
Mexican	.48	.40
Occidental Con.	2.75	2.75
Ophir	.83	.79
Overman	.06	.06
Potosi	.41	.41
Savage	.25	.25
Scorpion	.05	.05
Sierra Nevada	2.05	2.00
Standard	1.00	1.00
Union Con.	.49	.45
Utah Con.	.12	.12
Yellow Jacket	.28	.28

Silver bars, 58; Mexican dollars, 45½@46; drafts, sight, 1¾; telegraph, 15.

DENVER, April 4.—Gardner & Co. report closing quotations as follows:

	Bid.	Asked.	Bid.	Asked.
	Monday.		Saturday.	
Alamo	2¾	3	2¾	3
Anaconda	36	40	32	40
Atchorite	69	75	70	80
Argentine	17½	19½	15	19½
Consolidated	8½	9	8½	9
Elkton	69	70	70	72½
El Paso	5½	6	6	8
Gibson	19½	21	19½	20½
Gold Coin	98	102	98½	99
Gold King	46	50	45	50
Golden Fleece	39	45	39	45
Grenze	5½	6½	6½	6½
Isabella	21½	22½	21½	21½
Lexington	3	3½	3	3½
Lillie	79½	82	78	81
Mayo	14	14½	14	14½
Moon Anchor	93½	97	90	97
Pharmacist	5	6	5	6
Portland	73	78	73	78
Rawlings	11	13	11½	12½
Rose	12½	13½	11½	12½
Union	94	97	94	97
Work	94	97	94	97

CORPORATION ELECTIONS.

The annual meeting yesterday of the stockholders of the Panama Railroad Company resulted in the re-election of the old Board of Directors, who at a subsequent meeting returned the old officers.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Lawyers' Title Insurance Company yesterday the old Board of Directors was re-elected.

The annual meeting of the Brighton Pier and Improvement Company was held in this city yesterday. The old Board of Directors was re-elected.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Mexican Central Railway Company, held in this city yesterday, the old Board of Directors was re-elected.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Colorado Midland Railway Company, held in this city yesterday, the old Board of Directors was re-elected.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Mexican National Railroad Company, held in this city yesterday, the old Board of Directors was re-elected.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Mexican Northern Railway Company, held in this city yesterday, the old Board of Directors was re-elected.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Mexican Southern Railway Company, held in this city yesterday, the old Board of Directors was re-elected.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Mexican Central

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

Complete Transactions in Stocks—Monday, April 4, 1898.

Sales.	Bid.	Asked.		First.	High.	Low.	Last.	Net Change.
100	101	5	Adams Express	102	103	102	102	.....
16¾	17½	100	American Cotton Oil	16½	17⅜	16½	17⅜	+ ⅝
60	72	100	Am. Cotton Oil pf	70	70	70	70	+ ⅝
12	127	18	American Express	120¼	120¼	119¼	120¼	.....
8½	8¾	2,105	American Spirits Mfg.	8½	8¾	8½	8¾	+⅛
18¾	...	120	Am. Spirits Mfg. pf	18¾	18¾	18¾	18¾	.....
115⅝	118⅜	92,200	Am. Sugar Ref. Co	119½	122	117½	118⅝	+1½
100	109	230	Am. Sugar Ref. Co. pf	108½	109	108½	100	+2½
90	98	115	Am. Tel. & Cable Co	90	90	90	90	.....
102⅜	102⅞	11,700	American Tobacco	101½	103¾	101¼	103⅝	+3⅝
11¾	11⅝	3	At., T. & S. F.	12	12	12	12	.....
25⅞	26	4,004	At., T. & S. F. pf	25½	26	25¼	25¾	+ ⅝
6	6¼	800	B. & O. Southw. pf	6	6¼	6	6¼	+ ⅛
3	3¼	400	Bay State Gas	3¼	3	3	3	+ ⅛
39	39¾	8,781	Brooklyn Rapid Tran	39½	40	38⅝	39	+ ⅛
47¼	48¼	10	Canada Southern	47⅝	47⅝	47⅝	47⅝	.....
19¼	19⅝	2,770	Chesapeake & Ohio	19¾	20	19	19⅛	+ ⅛
153½	160	50	Chicago & Alton	158	158	158	158	.....
93⅜	93¾	23,401	Chi., Bur. & Quincy	94½	95¼	92¾	93⅝	+2½
104½	107	7	Chi. & East Ill. pf	107	107	107	107	.....
10¾	10⅝	1,070	Chicago Great West	10¾	10¾	10¼	10⅜	— ⅛
5	6	40	Chi., Ind. & Louis	6	6	6	6	.....
89⅜	89⅝	41,635	Chi., Mil. & St. Paul	90¼	90¾	89	89⅝	+2½
142	144	30	Chi., Mil. & St. P. pf	144½	144¾	144¼	144¾	.....
119	119⅝	1,720	Chi. & Northw	120	120¾	119¼	119¾	+1¾
86¼	87	10,960	Chi. Rock Isl. & Pac	87	88⅜	86¾	86⅝	+1¾
27¾	28	100	C., C., C. & St. L	27½	27½	27½	27½	+ ⅞
11¾	11⅞	1,175	Cleve., Lor. & Wheel	11½	11⅝	11⅜	11⅝	+ ⅛
19½	21	200	Colorado Fuel & Iron	19	19¾	19	19¾	+1½
5¾	5⅞	100	C. & H. C., all in pa	5½	5½	5½	5½	+ ⅛
6¾	6¾	100	Col., Hock. Val. & Tol	6	6	6	6	+ ⅛
179	180	1,674	Consolidated Gas	180¾	180¾	178¼	179	+1½
28½	30	800	Consolidated Ice	30	30	30	30	.....
86	88¼	10	Consolidated Ice pf	86	86	86	86	.....
107¾	110¾	167	Delaware & Hudson	108	108	108	108	+1¼
147	151	200	Del., Lack. & West	150½	150¾	150½	150½	+5½
11	12	100	D. M. & Ft. Dodge	11½	11½	11½	11½	+ ⅛
5	6	100	Dul., S. S. & At. pf	5	5	5	5	— ⅛
12¼	13¼	20	Erie	13¾	13¾	12¾	13¾	+1¾
33½	35¾	600	Erie 1st pf	33½	35¾	33¼	34	+1½
32⅝	32⅝	1,530	General Electric	33¼	33¼	33	33	+ ⅛
23½	25	150	Hawaiian Sugar	23	25	23	23	+ ⅛
90	100	529	Illinois Central	100¾	100¾	99¾	99¾	+ ⅛
7¼	8¼	94	Iowa Central	7	7	7	7	.....
27	29	5	Iowa Central pf	25	25	25	25	.....
40	42	100	Laclede Gas	40	40	40	40	.....
68	70	4	L. E. & West. pf	70	70	70	70	.....
179	181	68	Lake Shore	183	183	178¾	178¾	+1½
50⅜	50¼	10,300	Louisville & Nashville	50¼	51	50¼	50⅜	+1⅛
98	98¾	16,140	Manhattan Con	98½	99¼	97¼	98	+2⅛
138¼	139¾	11,295	Metropolitan St. Ry	142	142¾	138¾	138¾	+3½
103	106¼	110	Michigan Central	105½	105¾	105¼	105¼	+2½
80	84	80	Minn. & St. L. 1st pf	82	82	82	82	.....
32	33	620	Mo., Kan. & Tex. pf	33¼	33¼	32¾	32¾	.....
26½	29¾	5,435	Missouri Pacific	27¾	28¾	26¾	27	+1
30½	31	900	National Lead Co	31	31	30	30	+1½
103	107	2	National Lead Co. pf	108¼	108¼	108¼	108¼	.....
92	94	607	New Jersey Central	98	98	91½	91½	— ¼
...	22	100	New York Air Brake	22	22	22	22	—2
110⅜	111⅞	4,801	New York Central	111¾	113	110⅜	111½	+1½
46¼	46¼	1,885	Norfolk & West. pf	46½	46¾	46¼	46¼	+1½
28½	28¾	10,470	Northern Pacific	28½	29¼	28¼	28¾	+1½
62¼	62¾	7,805	Northern Pacific pf	62¾	63	62¼	62¾	+ ⅝
14¾	15	73	Ontario & Western	14¾	14¾	14¾	14¾	.....
24½	25	1,170	Pacific Mail	24¾	25	24¾	25	+1⅛
113½	114	547	Pennsylvania R. R.	113¾	113¾	113¾	113¾	+ ⅞
1	1¼	50	Peo., Dec. & Evans	⅞	⅞	⅞	⅞	.....
91¾	92	4,692	People's Gas, Chi	92	92¾	91¼	92	+1½
17	17¼	630	Reading	17	17	16¾	17	+⅛
40	40¼	1,990	Reading 1st pf	40¾	40¾	40	40¼	+⅛
20½	21	100	Reading 2d pf	20¾	20¾	20¾	20¾	+⅛
48	50	100	St. J. & G. I. 1st pf	50	50	50	50	+2
26	26½	125	St. L. & S. F. 2d pf	26¼	26¾	26¼	26¾	+ ⅛
20	24	7	St. Paul & Duluth	23	23	23	23	.....
80	90	7	St. Paul & Duluth pf	80½	80½	80½	80½	.....
70	70¼	300	St. Paul & Omaha	70¼	70¾	69¾	69¾	+ ⅛
14	14¾	300	Southern Pacific	14	14¾	14	14½	+ ⅛
8	8½	480	Southern Railway	8	8	8	8	+ ⅛
26¾	26¾	1,878	Southern Railway pf	27	27¾	26¾	26¾	+⅛
20½	20¾	1,535	Tenn. Coal & Iron	20¾	21¼	20¾	20¾	+1
10	10¼	280	Texas Pacific	10¼	10¾	10¼	10¼	+⅛
167	170	100	Third Avenue	165½	169¾	165¾	169¾	+1½
19	21	200	Twin City R. T.	20	20	19¾	19¾	— ⅛
20	20¼	3,760	Union Pacific	20¼	20¾	19¾	20¾	+⅛
53¼	53⅝	33,897	Union Pacific pf	54	54	52¾	53½	+⅛
6¾	6¾	2,430	U. P., D. & G. t. r	7	7	6¾	6¾	+ ⅛
38	42	17	United States Express	39	40	39	40	.....
5¾	5⅞	585	United States Leather	5¾	5⅞	5¾	5⅞	+ ⅛
16½	17½	10	United States Rubber	16¾	16¾	16¾	16¾	.....
66	68	161	U. S. Rubber pf	67¾	67¾	67¾	67¾	+3¾
6¾	7¼	100	Wabash	7¼	7¼	7¼	7¼	+ ⅛
15¼	15½	505	Wabash pf	15	15	15	15¾	.....
115	120	50	Wells-Fargo Express	115¼	115¼	115¼	115¼	.....
...	91¼	340	West Chicago Street	91¾	92	91¾	92	+2
85½	86¾	2,171	Western Union Tel	85½	86	85¼	86	+1¼
1⅞	2¼	100	W. & L. E., $1 as. pd	2	2	2	2	.....
Sales.....		312,029						

Silver.

55⅝	56¼	1,000	Bullion certificates.....	56¼	56¼	56¼	56¼	— ¼

Complete Bond Transactions.

Am Dock & Imp 5s	Erie gen lien 3-4s	Oregon Short Line 6s
5,000.....111	13,000@20F.....70	6,000.....120½
Am Spirits Mfg Co 6s	5,000.....70⅝	4,000.....120¾
1,000.....70	10,000.....70¼	1,000.....120
Am Tobacco Co scrip	Erie 4s prior bonds	Procter & Gamble 1st
12,000.....84	25,000.....86	1,000.....113
5,000.....84½	Ga Pac 1st 5-6s	Reading Co gen 4s
Ann Arbor 1st 4s	3,000.....119	1,000.....80¾
3,000.....83½	H & Tex Cent G M 4s	1,000.....80½
At, T & S F gen 4s	5,000.....77	Rio Grande West 1st
14,000.....87¾	Int & Gt Nor 2d mtge	3,000.....81
1,000.....87⅝	1,000.....80	St Jo & Gr Isl 2-3-4s
10,000.....87¼	Kan City, P & Gulf 1st	1,000.....70
3,500.....87⅛	1,000.....75	St L & Iron Mt gen 5s
5,000.....87⅛	5,000.....75½	3,000.....87¼
15,000.....87⅛	Lac G L Co of St L 1st 5s	7,000.....87½
Adjustment 4s	1,000.....101½	St L & S F 4s
20,000.....89½	L S & M So 1st reg	5,000.....73
2,000.....89⅝	10,000.....105½	5,000@3.....73¼
83,000.....89⅝	Lehigh & Wilkesbarre con assented	5,000.....73
5,000.....89⅞	1,000.....100	St L & S F G M 5s
5,000.....89¾	Long Island G M 4s	2,000.....102½
20,000.....89¾	2,000.....88	2,000.....102
70,000.....89¾	Louis & Nash unified gold 4s	3,000.....102¼
17,000.....89¾	4,000.....86½	St L S F G M 6s
8,000.....89¾	Met St Ry gen 5s	8,000.....117½
42,000.....89¾	1,000.....110	San An & Ar Pass 4s
50,000.....89¾	4,000.....100½	4,000.....68
5,000.....89¾	Mexican Inter 1st 4s	So Pac of N M 1st
10,000.....89¾	2,000.....72¾	5,000.....107¼
1,000.....89¾	75,000.....72¾	9,000.....107½
75,000.....89¾	6,000.....73	Southern Ry 1st 5s
60,000.....89¾	Mil & St Paul, Chi & Pac Western 5s	22,000.....88½
30,000.....89¾	3,000.....113½	Tenn C, I & R, Birmingham Div 1st
55,000.....89¾	Minn & St L gen 5s	1,000.....80½
3,000.....89¾	1,000.....104	Tex & N O con 5s
7,000.....89¾	Atlantic & Danv 1st	10,000.....98¼
10,000.....89¾	1,000.....95½	Tex & Pac 1st 3s
Balt & Ohio 1st, Parkersburg Branch	Mo, K & T 1st 4s	1,000.....100
64,000.....104	10,000.....86¼	Tex & Pac 2d inc
Broadway & 7th Av 1st cons 5s	10,000.....86½	42,000.....82
3,000.....118	4,000.....86¼	Tol, O C & K C 1st, Tr Co certfs
Brooklyn R T 5s	Mo, K & T 2d	2,000.....85½
2,000.....92¾	10,000.....60¼	6,000.....88
1,000.....92¼	8,000.....59¾	9,000.....86
3,000.....92	5,000.....60	Union Pacific 4s
Bur, C R & N 1st	Mo, K & T of T 5s	25,000.....91¼
2,000.....106¼	9,000.....81	10,000.....91½
Cent Ga Ry con 5s	Mo Pac 1st cons	25,000.....91
6,000.....86¾	1,000.....94¾	7,000.....91
Cent of N J gen 5s	10,000.....94¾	19,000.....91
11,000.....112	Nash, C & St L 1st	500.....91¼
Ches & Ohio 4½s	2,000.....128	20,000.....90⅞
5,000.....77	Nat Starch Mfg Co 1st	2,000.....90¾
5,000.....76¼	4,000.....78½	500.....91¼
33,000.....77½	Nor Pac gen lien 3s	40,000.....90⅞
5,000.....77¾	1,000.....80¼	2,000.....90⅝
10,000.....78	Nor Pac Ry prior lien 4s	5,000.....90¾
Ches & Ohio, R & A Div, 1st cons 4s	3,000.....93¼	83,000.....90⅝
2,000.....101¼	500.....93⅜	1,000.....91⅛
Ches & Ohio con 5s	30,000.....93½	5,000.....91
2,000.....113¼	1,000.....93¼	500.....91¼
Chi, B & Q, Iowa Div 4s	12,000.....93¾	13,000.....91
30,000.....98	25,000.....93¾	11,000.....90⅝
Nebraska ext 4s	Registered	24,000.....91
1,000.....96	10,000.....93¼	15,000.....91½
Chi & E Ill gen 5s	Oregon S L 1st con 5s	U P, D & G 1st, Trust Co certfs
3,000.....104½	500.....93¾	11,000.....83¾
Chi, R I & P ext 5s	5,000.....96¼	Wabash 1st 5s
34,000.....108¼	Income A 5s	5,000.....107
Chi, R I & P deb 5s	63.....63¼	4,000.....106¾
1,000.....105	Oregon Imp Co con 5s, Trust Co certfs, all installments paid	13,000.....107
Chi, Mac & Mar L G	20,000.....57½	19,000.....107¼
10,000.....118½	10,000.....56¾	Wabash 2d 5s
Gal, Har & San An, Mex & Pac Div 5s	5,000.....55¼	1,000.....77
10,000.....86¾	5,000.....56¼	Wis Cent Co 1st, Trust Co certfs
Total sales.....$1,716,000	Oregon R & N 4s	1,000.....33
	2,000.....93¾	2,000.....33½
	Pitts & West 1st	6,000.....30
	2,000.....80½	

Bid and Asked Quotations.

The following were the closing quotations for Government bonds and for stocks in which there were no transactions:

	Bid.	Ask'd.		Bid.	Ask'd.		Bid.	Ask'd.
2s, r., 1901	97¼	...	D. M. & Ft. D. pf.	70	...	N. Y. C. & St. L.	11¾	13
4s, r., 1907	109	110	Dul., S. S. & A.	2½	4	N. Y. C. & St. L. 1st pf	29	32½
4s, c., 1907	110½	111½	Eighth Avenue	300	320	N. Y. L. E. & W.	12	15¾
4s, r., 1925	121½	122½	Erie 2d pf.	17¼	17¾	N. Y. S. & W. pf.	28	32
4s, c., 1925	121½	122¾	Erie 4s	19	22	Norfolk So.	32	36
5s, r., 1904	111½	112¾	Ev. & T. H. pf.	38	42	Nor. & West.	13¾	15
5s, c., 1904	111¾	112¾	Flint & P. M.	11¾	14	North American	5¾	5¾
Currency 6s, 1899	103	...	Ft. W. & R. G.	10	15	Ohio Southern	...	5
Cherokee 4s, 1899	100½	...	Gt. Nor. pf.	147	154	Out Mining	...	5
Dist. Col. 3-65s	116	...	Green Bay & W.	35	40	Oregon Imp., all	90¾	...
Ala. & Sus	120	...	H. B. Claflin	...	90	Or. R. & N.	37¼	39
American Coal	100	140	Homestake	40	...	Or. Ry. & N. pf.	87	89
Am. Dist. Tel.	...	23	Ill. Cent. 1.	90	94	Ore. R. & N. pf.	66	69
Am. Tobacco pf.	115	118	Ill. Steel Co.	45	55	Oregon S. L.	26	31¾
Ann Arbor	11	18	Joliet & Chicago	...	160	Penn. Coal	225	...
Ann Arbor pf.	35	39½	K. C., P. & G.	20	30½	Peo., Ded. & Ev.	1	1¼
Balt. & Ohio	16¾	17¼	Kanawha & Mich.	...	6	Peo. & Eastern	3½	4
Boston A. L. pf.	102	105	Keokuk & D. M.	5	15	P., C., C. & St. L.	48	48½
Brklyn Union Gas	110	113	K. & M.	12	15	P., C., C. & St. L. pf.	...	98
Brunswick Co., 2d in paid	4	5	Kingston & Pem.	1	10	Pat. Sug. pf.	57	60
Buff., R. & P.	29	30½	Laclede Gas pf.	94	99	P., Ft. W. & C.	168	...
Buff., R. & P. pf.	59	65	Long Island	45	50	Pullman Car.	170	175
Canadian Pacific	81¾	82	Manhattan Beach	5	8	Quicksilver	1¾	2
Central Pacific	13	15	Md. Coal pf.	45	55	Quicksilver pf.	6	7
Chi. & Alton pf.	168	...	Mexican Central	5	6	Rens. & Saratoga	160	...
Chi. & E. Ill.	82	85	Mex. Nat certfs.	1	2	R., W. & O.	11¾	15
Chi. Gt. W. pf. A	28	29	Minn. & St. L.	24	25½	St. Jo. & Gr. Isl.	5½	7
Chi. Gt. W. pf. B	20	24	Minn. & St. L. 2d pf.	50	58	St. L. & Gr. Isl. 1st pf.	15	17¼
Chi., Ind. & L. pf.	22	25	Minn., St. P. & S. M.	5	...	St. L. & S. F. 1st pf.	5	6¾
Chi. & N. W. pf.	172¾	...	Minn., St. P. & S. M.	9	...	St. L. & S. F. 2d pf.	55	57
Chi. Term. Trans.	8	9	Minn. Iron	55	63¼	St. L. S. W.	4	5
Chi. Term. T. pf.	27½	30	Mo., K. & T.	10¼	11¾	St. L. S. W. pf.	9	9¾
C., C., C. & St. L. pf.	70	80	Mobile & Ohio	17	18	St. P., M. & M.	130	135
Clev., Lor. & W. pf.	60	65	Morris & Essex	170	175	St. P. & S. C. pf.	115	120
Colo. C. & I. Dev.	¼	⅝	Nat. Lin. Oil	14	18	Standard R. & T.	3½	4¼
C. C. & I. Dev. pf.	2	3	National Starch	6¾	8	Tol. & O. C.	...	22
Col. F. & I. pf.	90	94	Nat. St. 1st pf.	60	65	Tol. & O. C. pf.	...	65
C. H. V. & T. pf.	17½	25	Nat. St. 2d pf.	15	30	West. Union Beef	7½	8½
Cons. Cable	128	130	New Cent. Co.	2¾	3	W. & L. E. pf. $1 as. paid	2	3½
Consol. Coal	82	...	N. J. & N. R.	134	138	Wis. Central	20	23
Del. & Hud.	107½	108	N. Y. & Harlem	90	95	Wis. Central pf.	58	63

STATUS OF NEW YORK CITY NON-MEMBER BANKS.

The following is the statement in detail for the past week of the banks not members of the Clearing House Association, but which clear through some of its members:

BANKS.	Capital.	Loans.	Specie.	Legals.	Deposits with Clearing-House Agent.	Deposits with Other Banks and Trust Companies.	Net Deposits.
New York City:							
Astor Place	$250,000	$3,480,700	$178,000	$34,300	$187,800	$120,000	$3,947,700
Clinton	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Colonial	100,000	694,800	7,000	158,800	147,700	...	723,150
Columbia	300,000	1,237,300	117,600	105,000	134,000	...	1,321,100
Eleventh Ward	100,000	1,134,800	86,500	197,800	...	...	1,267,800
Fourteenth St.	100,000	681,700	14,100	96,900	156,400	...	833,100
Franklin Nat.	200,000	470,000	60,000	7,000	107,000	...	360,000
Gansevoort	200,000	876,900	5,000	41,100	66,500	4,800	917,600
Hamilton	200,000	1,344,100	55,000	97,900	102,400	...	1,340,000
Hide & L. Nat.	500,000	1,892,800	248,000	66,900	158,000	...	1,470,800
Home	100,000	474,700	94,800	60,000	44,500	21,200	671,700
Hudson River	300,000	1,114,000	80,000	66,000	122,000	...	1,071,000
Mount Morris	250,000	3,443,700	47,000	60,300	51,400	180,000	1,703,400
Mutual	200,000	955,100	117,700	150,000	221,000	114,100	1,031,800
19th Ward	100,000	910,000	82,000	90,000	105,000	15,000	906,000
Plaza	100,000	1,160,200	76,600	157,600	70,500	...	1,307,500
Riverside	100,000	732,700	8,200	40,100	55,500	...	703,500
Standard Nat.	200,000	498,000	14,500	38,800	60,500	500	492,000
State	100,000	1,441,200	84,000	58,000	104,800	32,000	1,415,000
12th Ward	200,000	1,107,500	28,200	90,200	120,800	137,200	1,060,800
23d Ward	100,000	609,100	28,000	70,700	68,200	101,800	635,100
Union Square	800,000	3,103,600	46,500	161,000	194,800	...	3,043,400
Yorkville	150,000	1,112,900	66,100	77,200	159,700	...	1,211,900
Astor Nat.	300,000	900,300	52,600	167,500	77,100	...	938,800
Brooklyn:							
Bedford	150,000	963,100	38,700	41,600	180,200	85,000	1,115,600
Broadway	100,000	1,132,300	20,800	98,600	134,400	...	1,226,800
Brooklyn	300,000	1,160,300	58,000	67,000	194,800	219,000	1,200,200
Eighth Ward	100,000	197,600	11,900	16,800	48,500	1,600	230,800
Fifth Avenue	100,000	528,300	21,200	21,900	49,800	48,100	600,400
Fulton	200,000	905,000	58,500	58,900	109,100	...	825,200
Kings County	150,000	907,500	32,600	24,200	65,500	...	568,600
Manuf'ers' Nat.	253,000	2,146,700	230,800	225,700	894,900	...	2,702,800
Mechanics'	500,000	2,384,300	93,500	111,800	196,800	...	2,128,300
Mec. & Traders'	300,000	907,900	38,500	81,310	98,000	16,900	854,500
Nassau Nat.	300,000	3,821,000	190,000	144,000	663,000	50,000	3,687,000
National City	800,000	2,367,000	84,000	220,000	439,000	91,000	2,711,000
North Side	100,000	1,048,000	9,800	49,700	64,800	224,300	1,148,200
People's	100,000	793,800	44,400	27,900	76,600	64,500	831,900
Queens County							
(Long Is. City)	100,000	1,308,600	201,900	234,700	366,500	97,400	2,218,600
Schermerhorn	100,000	473,700	33,800	13,500	112,900	...	496,000
17th Ward	100,000	990,000	9,000	6,000	173,800	...	973,800
Sprague Nat.	200,000	1,063,200	92,100	13,000	290,000	11,000	1,015,000
26th Ward	100,000	648,100	8,800	17,800	61,100	60,600	666,200
Union	100,000	382,100	7,800	15,500	53,500	50,000	390,000
Wallabout	100,000	468,400	13,900	35,400	80,000	2,500	493,000
Other Cities:							
1st Nat., J. C.	400,000	3,842,300	132,500	228,500	383,900	384,600	4,312,600
Hud. Co. Nat., J. C.	200,000	2,100,500	87,000	53,000	367,800	269,500	2,183,500
2d Nat., J. C.	250,000	1,558,400	55,400	60,100	258,000	...	1,447,400
3d Nat., J. C.	200,000	873,800	38,000	65,000	170,800	198,000	1,006,100
1st Nat., Hoboken	110,000	1,355,400	104,000	14,500	182,800	104,000	1,465,500
2d Nat., Hoboken	125,000	700,100	36,700	34,800	55,300	104,800	707,300
Bank of S. I.	25,000	408,700	18,400	13,400	104,400	700	510,900
1st Nat., S. I.	100,000	562,500	16,800	26,000	81,800	...	524,300
Total	$9,213,000	$59,897,100	$3,156,400	$3,597,700	$5,853,600	$2,911,400	$64,455,300

*As per official reports—Fifteen National Banks, Feb. 18, 1898; thirty-seven State banks, Dec. 16, 1897, $457,475 increase, reserve.

CONSOLIDATED EXCHANGE.

STOCKS.

Sales.		Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
48,410	Am. Sug. Refs.	117⅜	121	117⅜	119⅝
400	Am. Tobacco	102½	103½	101½	103½
50	A., T. & S. F. pf.	25½	26½	25½	25½
40	Am. Sp. Mfg.	8½	8¾	8½	8¾
200	Bay State Gas	3¼	3¼	3¼	3¼
650	Brooklyn R. T.	40	40	39½	39¾
17,010	Chi., M. & St. P.	94½	95¼	93¾	94⅝
22,520	C., R. I. & P.	90	91	89	89¾
3,920	Chi., R. I. & P.	87¾	88¼	86¼	87¾
220	Cent. of N. J.	98	98	98	98
20	Chi. & N. W.	120¾	120¾	120¾	120¾
140	Gen. Electric	33¼	33¼	33	33
400	Lake Shore	180½	180½	180	180
2,000	Manhattan	99¾	99¾	97¾	98¼
450	Missouri Pacific	27¾	27¾	26¾	27
180	N. Y. Central	111¾	111¾	110¾	111¾
70	Nor. Pacific	23½	23½	22½	23½
540	Nor. Pac. pf.	63	63	62¾	62¾
1,500	People's Gas	92¼	92¾	91¾	91¾
120	Reading	17	17¼	17	17¼
20	Southern pf.	27½	27½	27½	27½
10	Tenn. C. & I.	20¾	20¾	20¾	20¾
10	Union Pacific	20¼	20¼	20¼	20¼
1,520	Union Pac. pf.	54	54	52¾	53½
40	Wabash pf.	15¾	15¾	15¾	15¾
50	Western Union	85½	85¾	85½	85¾
$8,100					

BONDS.

Sales.		Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
$19,000	A., T. & S.F. adj.	89¼	89¾	89¼	89¾
2,000	A., T. & S.F. gen.	87½	87½	87½	87½
14,000	Met. St. Ry. 5s	109	109	109	109
4,000	Pitts. & W. 4s	80¼	81	80¼	81
500	S. R. & T. 6s	56	56	56	56
72,000	U.P., D. & G. 1st	53½	54½	53¾	54½
$81,500					

BOSTON STOCK MARKET.

BOSTON, April 4.—The local market, after a boiling half hour, in which five and six point gains were not wanting, suffered a reaction, and then gradually moved to a higher level. Montana and Butte were the conspicuous coppers; Chicago, Burlington and Quincy and Union Pacific preferred led the railroads, while Sugar, as usual, made some lighting changes. Montana touched 176½ on the advance. Butte touched 25⅝, and Chicago, Burlington and Quincy 94½. Closing bid and asked:

Railroad Companies.

	Bid.	Asked.
Boston & Albany	218	...
Boston & Lowell	215	...
Boston & Maine	183	...
Boston & Providence	275	...
Chicago Junction & Stock Yards	107½	108
Chicago Junction & Stock Yards pf.	112	...
Fitchburg pf.	99¼	99
Old Colony	188	189
Oregon Short Line	30	31
West End	79½	80

Mining Companies.

Alloues	1⅝	2
Arnold	11	11½
Atlantic	9	9¾
Boston & Montana	174½	175
Butte & Boston	24¼	24½
Calumet & Hecla	515	520
Centennial	13¼	13⅝
Franklin	11	...
Gold Coin Mines	1	1⅛
Kape, (quicksilver)	6⅝	...
Osceola	39½	39¾
Pioneer, (gold)	5¼	5½
Quincy	108	110
Santa Ysabel	6¼	6
Tamarack	142	146

THE REAL ESTATE FIELD

Yesterday's Dealing Among the Brokers and at Auction—Little Activity at Private Contract.

The Dibbel estate has sold to M. L. Sire, for about $35,000, the four-story brown-stone-front dwelling 513 Madison Avenue, northeast corner of Fifty-third Street, 20.5 by 80.

Henry G. Cassidy has sold for the Burke estate the two four-story brick tenements 577 and 579 Second Avenue, 50 by 100.

The same broker has also sold for a Mrs. Powers, the four-story brick tenement 305 East Thirty-second Street, 20 by 98.9.

It is reported that the Pleasant Home Company has traded the six-story iron-front store and loft building 68 to 72 Wooster Street, 60 by 95, for out-of-town property. The deal is said to involve about $240,000.

Julia W. Dickerson has sold the four-story dwelling 39 East Sixty-fourth Street, 20 by 100.

The Miles estate has sold the four-story stone-front dwelling 156 East Thirty-seventh Street, 20 by 98.9.

In the Trinity Building Salesroom yesterday Bryan L. Kennelly sold at executor's sale to George Schuster for $16,700 the three-story brick building, 75 Christopher Street, 25 by 106.2; also, at executor's sale, to Charles Steer, for $38,000, the five-story brick tenement, 293 Bleecker Street, southeast corner of Barrow Street, 25.4 by 75; also, at executor's sale, to Charles Steer, for $27,000, the five-story brick tenement, 43 Carmine Street, 25 by 100; also, at executor's sale, to Charles Steer, for $8,300, the two-story brick dwelling 36 Bedford Street, 25 by 75.

Richard V. Harnett & Co. sold, in foreclosure, to Arthur S. Luria, for $21,050, the four-story stone-front dwelling 372 Lexington Avenue, southwest corner of Forty-first Street, 19.9 by 68.

Henry C. Meyer & Co. sold, in foreclosure, to the plaintiff, for $2,000, the lot, Cambreling Avenue, east side, 100 feet south of One Hundred and Eighty-seventh Street, 25 by 105.4 by 32.1 by 125.5.

To-day's Auction Sales.

The following sales at auction are down for to-day at 111 Broadway:

By Peter F. Meyer & Co., public auction sale, 156 lots located on St. Ann's Avenue, One Hundred and Thirty-eighth, One Hundred and Thirty-ninth, One Hundred and Fortieth, and One Hundred and Forty-first Streets.

By George R. Read, assignee's sale, Elihu B. Frost, referee, 285 to 291 Rider Avenue, west side, 305 feet north of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth Street, extending through to the Mott Haven Canal, 75 by 125, coal yard.

By Philip A. Smyth, foreclosure sale, Sylvester L. H. Ward, referee, Stebbins Avenue, east side, 283.9 feet south of One Hundred and Sixty-fifth Street, 50 by 80, vacant. Due on judgment, $4,427.

By Bryan L. Kennelly & Co., partition sale, Reginald H. Arnold, referee, 312 West One Hundred and Seventeenth Street, south side, 168.9 feet west of Eighth Avenue, 26.3 by 100.11, five-story brownstone-front double flat.

By William Kennelly, public auction sale, 122 West Seventy-fourth Street, south side, 260 feet west of Columbus Avenue, 20 by 102.2, four-story limestone-front dwelling.

By William Kennelly, foreclosure sale, C. W. West, referee, 294, 294½, and 296 Grand Street, north side, 50 feet east of Eldridge Street, 50 by 87.6, two two-story brick and frame tenements on 294 and 294½, five-story stone-front tenement, with store, on 296 Due on judgment, $34,855.

By William Kennelly, foreclosure sale, Benno Lewinson, referee, 2,099 and 2,101 Eighth Avenue, west side, 25.11 feet south of One Hundred and Thirteenth Street, 75 by 100, two five-story brick tenements, with stores. Due on judgment, $5,529; subject to other mortgages for $80,876.

By William Kennelly, foreclosure sale, 529 East One Hundred and Forty-ninth Street, north side, 195.3 feet east of Morris Avenue, 25 by 100, four-story brick flat. Due on judgment, $4,333; subject to another mortgage for $10,312.

By Richard V. Harnett & Co., foreclosure sales, Joseph T. Ryan, referee, 138 and 140 West One Hundredth Street, south side, 400 feet west of Columbus Avenue, 38 by 100.11, five-story brick flat. Due on judgment, $37,-650.

By Richard V. Harnett & Co., foreclosure sale, Edward J. McGuire, referee, 696 East One Hundred and Forty-sixth Street, south side, 200 feet east of Willis Avenue, 25 by 100, four-story brick flat. Due on judgment, $10,050.

By Thompson & Pryor, foreclosure sale, Samuel B. Hamburger, referee, 466 West Twenty-third Street, south side, 46 feet east of Tenth Avenue, 22 by 98.9, five-story stone-front flat. Due on judgment, $2,267; subject to another mortgage for $18,765.

By Thompson & Pryor, foreclosure sale, Quincy W. Boese, referee, 961 East One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Street, north side, 208.4 feet east of St. Ann's Avenue, 16.8 by 100, three-story brick dwelling. Due on judgment, $1,898; subject to another mortgage for $3,500.

By Charles A. Berrian, foreclosure sale, Henry C. Henderson, referee, 1,760 Third Avenue, west side, 100.11 feet south of Ninety-eighth Street, 25.3 by 100, five-story brick tenement, with stores. Due on judgment, $18,448.

THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT.

The only plans filed yesterday at the Department of Buildings were for the following alterations:

No. 636 Lexington Avenue, to a three-story and basement brick and stone tenement, with store, 20.8 by 46; Morris Plinus of 202 Broadway, owner; William McGrath, architect; cost, $18,000.

Recorded Real Estate Transfers.

Monday, April 4.

ALL TITLE TO ESTATE OF MORRIS Alexander; Joseph M. Alexander to Sarah Alexander 1

BOULEVARD, n e corner of 69th St, 112.11x94,1x100.5x42.8; Charles Lowen and wife to James Butler 1,000

BROOME ST, 488, s s, 20.5x96.2x21.2x 96.2; Broome St, 493 and 491; Thomas St, 92, 94, 66, and 187 and 189 Duane St; also, 48 Leonard St; Charles S. Bates and wife to Charles S. Bates, as executor.. 1

CHANNING AV, w s, 62.3 ft n of 170th St, 25x24.6x25.11x11; United States Trust Company, as executor, to Marion L. Baker 500

COOPER ST, n s, 100 ft e of Academy St, 50x100; Elizabeth Reeve and another to Levis S. Goebel 1

COURTLANDT AV, e s, 50 ft s of 156th St, 25x100; William C. Oesting and wife to Jacob Kerner and another 100

IRVING PLACE, 46, 26x116.1; Hamilton Odell, referee, to William Tilden 30,500

JACKSON AV, e s, 154 ft n of 150th St, 200 to 180th St; New York Magdalen Benevolent Society to August Oppenheimer 150

107TH ST, 75 and 77 East, 22x100.11; Minnie Huber to Isaac G. Van Tassel 1

118TH ST, n s, 235 ft e of 5th Av, 18.9x 100.11, 113th St, s s, 281.8 ft e of 5th Av, 18.9x100.11; Isaac G. Van Tassel and wife to George H. Huber 1

114TH ST, n s, 248 ft w of 5th Av, 50x 100.11; Vincenzo Serra to John A. Johnson 1

115TH ST, 127 East, 18.4x100.11; Samuel Hoffman and wife to John H. Smith 1

121ST ST, s s, 305 ft e of Pleasant Av, 17.2x80; Lawrence Godkin, referee, to Society for Relief of Poor Widows with Small Children 3,500

124TH ST, n s, 100 ft w of Amsterdam Av, 100x100.11; James M. Horton to Gustavus L. Lawrence 100

130TH ST, n s, 150.6 ft e of 6th Av, old line, 0.6x99.11; George W. Hayes to Mary A. Sharpe 1

134TH ST, 45 East, 25x99.11; William J. Nicklas to Sarah McCormick 1

138TH ST, s s, corner of Cypress Av, 18.3 x100; Charles J. Burbridge to Harry McNally 5,700

144TH ST, n s, 450 ft e of 8th Av, 50x99.11; Vincenzo Serra to Judith W. Richardson 1

154TH ST, s s, 200 ft e of Amsterdam Av, 23x99.11; Gideon E. Fountain and wife to John Fleming 1

161ST ST, s e corner of Cauldwell Av, 55 x100; Andrew Purdy to Gustavus Robitsek and others 7,500

164TH ST, n s, 100 ft e of Amsterdam Av, 25x105.10; William E. Horton, referee, to Rachel Mulgrew 3,050

167TH ST, s e corner of Audubon Av, 19.3x 75; John F. Comey and wife to Walworth Ward 1

Recorded Leases.

BACHARACH, Herman, to William S. Anderson & Co.; Lexington Av, w s, 90 ft n of 70th St, 20.5x20, 21 years 800

CATALDO, Raffaele, and another, to Angelo R. Palladino; 2,224 1st Av, 3 1-12 years 216

COWAN, Stuart W., to Builders' Supply Company; Fisher's Pond, n s, 200 ft e from Gunion's property, with water privileges, 5 years 3,500

DALTON, John, to James F. Dalton and another; Ryder Av and Mott Haven Canal, between 139th and 140th Sts, 3 years 900

HEUPEL, August, to Carl Repno; 332 East 14th St, 5 years 1,500

JANTZEN, Herman H., to Mathew E. White; East End Av, 1,613, s e corner of 83d St, 10 1-4 years ..... 480—600

NEW YORK AFRICAN SOCIETY MUtual Relief to Catherine Upsthar; Baxter St, 3 years 42

OHLCHERS, Henry J., to Charles F. Undutsch; 2,104 8th Av, 3 years 1,800

RABBE, Frederick, to William H. Heidendorf; 1,402 Park Av, 5 years 1,500

SABINE, William T., to William Hill & Son; 618 6th Av, 10 years 2,000

SPORHASE, Minnie, to Vincenzo Papaleo; 280 East 108th St, 5 years ..... 2—2,100

STUYVESANT, Amelia, to Robert M. Jarvis; all wharf and water privileges in front of n part of Lot 646, map of Hendrick Rutgers, 17 years 1,082

TAYLOR, Edwin M., trustee, to Diedrich Runne; 93 Walker St, 5 years, $2,000 to. 2,000

Recorded Mortgages.

ALLEN, F. Sturges, to Frederic J. Middlebrook; s s of 29th St, 160 ft w of 2d Av, demand 15,000

ANDERSON, Mary J., to John R. Suydam, as trustee; 38 West 21st St, 3 years 2,500

BOWMAN, Eugene M., to Henry White; n s of Jefferson St, 100.4 ft e of Clinton Av, 1 year 1,000

BRUNJES, Henry, to Frederick and Catherine Dillemuth; n s of 150th St, Lot 154, Map of the Village of Melrose, 50x100, 6 years 4,000

BUEK, Charles, to Metropolitan Life Insurance Company; s s of Fulton St, 35 ft e of Ryder's Alley, 1¼ years 75,000

BUSTLER, James, to Title Guarantee and Trust Company; n e corner of 60th St and Boulevard, 3 years 130,000

BUTLER, James D., to Louis and Louis K. Ungrich; w s of Amsterdam Av, 99.11 ft s of 164th St, 1 year 5,000

BUTLER, James D., to Louis and Louis K. Ungrich; e s of King's Bridge Road, 99.11 ft s of 164th St, 1 year 4,100

CAMPBELL, Alexander C., to Hans H. Schramm and another; e s of Jackson Av, 154 ft n of 156th St, 1 year 9,700

COBURN, George, to Charles Leasenfeld; 2,494 8th Av, 2 years 4,800

CONGER, Clarence R., to the Church of St. Mary, New York, Madison St, s s, Lot 1,094, map of estate of Hendrick Rutgers, leasehold, demand 5,000

CURRY, Bridget, to Mary Martin; s w corner of McLane Av and Bronx River Road, 5 years 5,000

DROGE, Henry W., to The Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York; s s of 188th St, 125 ft e of 11th Av, 1 year.. 2,500

DUMBAR, Jessie C., to Title Guarantee and Trust Company; 111 West 71st St, 3 years 10,000

FALCK, Emma, to Dollar Savings Bank; n s of 2d Av, 300 ft e of 3d St, Woodlawn Heights, 1 year 2,000

FLYNN, Charles J., to William L. Flanagan, as Managing Director; 60 William St, leasehold, installments 1,500

GILLIE, James B., to Title Guarantee and Trust Company; s w corner of Convent Av and 145th St, 3 years 12,000

GETGOOD, William F., to Harlem Savings Bank; n s of 173d St, 151.3 ft e of Audubon Av, 1 year 1,050

GOETT, Edward, to Michael Quenzer; w s of Lewis St, 97.5 ft s of 5th St, 2 years 2,750

GOELTZ, Henry, to the German Savings Bank; e s of Fulton Av, 466.11 ft n of 169th St, 1 year 5,000

GRILL, Katharina, to Sarah Dansig; w s of Prospect Av, 300 ft n of 156th St, 4 years 1,050

HANSEN, Niels, to Edward and Henry Hirsh; s w corner of Amsterdam Av and 148th St, 1 year 50,000

HARRIGAN, Annie T., to Philip A. Smyth; s s of 36th St, 150 ft e of 6th Av, 1 year 21,000

HARRIS, Mary E., to Archer V. Pancoast, trustee, &c.; 145 West 35th St, 2 years 30,000

HERZOG, Paul M., to Michael H. Hagerty and others, executors, &c.; e s of Beach Av, at intersection of s s strip of land taken by City of New York for proposed 151st, or Beck, St, 200 ft to Union Av, &c., 3 years 26,400

HERZOG, Paul M., to Michael H. Hagerty and others; w s of Union Av, 25 ft s of s line of strip of land taken by the city for proposed 151st, or Beck, St, 3 years 4,800

HERZOG, Paul M., to Michael H. Hagerty and others, executors; w s of Union Av, 225 ft s of strip of line for proposed 151st St, taken by the City of New York, 3 years 4,800

HITCHCOCK, Frances, to Kate A. Wetherill; n s of 86th St, 195 ft e of 6th Av, 4 years 3,000

HICKEY, John, to George W. Dougherty; n e corner of Boulevard and 109th St, 1 year 15,000

HOBBY, Anna M., to Annie N. Curtis; 863 Columbus Av, 5 years 9,500

HOOPER, Lida J. and William B., to Frank A. Hearn; 267 Hudson St, 1 year.. 5,000

HOUGHTON, H. Seymour, to Emma A. Schley; n w corner of West End Av and 88th St, 4 years 3,000

JACOB, Henry, to Emma A. Nauss; n s of 85th St, 200 ft w of 1st Av, demand 15,000

JACOB, Henry, to Emma A. Nauss; s s of 49th St, 200 ft w of 1st Av, demand 7,000

KICK, Theophile, to Title Guarantee and Trust Company; 160 and 162 West 86th St, 5 years 30,000

KICK, Theophile, to Isabella Wilson; 160 and 162 West 86th St, 1 year 2,000

KICK, Theophile, to Jules Weber; 160 and 162 West 86th St, demand 3,000

KILPATRICK, Thomas, to Jane Kelly; w s of Mount Morris Av, 20.11 ft n of 120th St, 1 year 4,000

KIRKPATRICK, William J., to William G. Ver Planck; s e corner of Woody Crest Av and 164th St, 1 year 7,500

KNEELAND, Adele, to Henry Drisler and others, executors, &c.; 48 West 46th St, 1 year 25,000

KNOX, Hettie, to National Surety Company; Lots, 16, 21, 22, 35, and 36, and north half of 17, 20, and 37, map of Lexington Place, at William's Bridge Depot, West Farms, demand 5,000

KORNMAN, Frederick W., to Dollar Savings Bank; w s of Anthony Av, 318.6 ft n of Southern Boulevard, 1 year 4,800

LAMB, Charles V., and Amelia C., to James Buckhout, Sr.; s e corner of King's Bridge Road and Adams St, 3 years 4,500

LANDSDORF, Peter, to the German Savings Bank; 2 Stirling St, 1 year 15,000

LAWRENCE, Gustavus L., to James M. Horton; n s of 124th St, 100 ft w of Amsterdam Av, 2 years 25,000

MANDELBAUM, Harris, and another to New York Security and Trust Company; 188 Henry St, 1 year 14,000

MANDELBAUM, Harris, and another to Frederic J. Middlebrook; 188 Henry St, 1 year 3,000

McADAM, Janet and George W., to Catharine V. Brady; n s of 128th St, 200 ft w of 5th Av, 2 years 3,000

McKEAGNEY, Mary, to Ernest Tribelhorn; 1,561 Lexington Av, installments. 12,500

MUNDORFF, Peter, to Title Guarantee and Trust Company; 70 St. Mark's Place, 3 years 13,000

OESTING, William C., to John Betheuser; e s of St. Ann's Av, 23.4 ft n of 141st St, 3 years 14,000

O'CONNOR, William and Mary, to Augustus B. Van Wickle; 207 Henry St, 5 years 10,000

OPPENHEIMER, August, to the New York Magdalen Benevolent Society; n s of 86th St, 125 ft e of 5th Av, 3 years 71,000

OPPENHEIMER, August, to the New York Magdalen Benevolent Society; s s of 89th St, 125 ft e of 5th Av, 3 years 67,000

PRAGNELL, William J., to Jane Miner and Charlotte M. Cootey; w s of Bryant Av, 105 ft n of Freeman St, 3 years 2,000

PRAGNELL, William J., to Smith Williamson; e s of Vyse Av, 80 ft n of Jennings St, 3½ years 2,000

PRICE CHARLES, to Aaron J. Bach, executor; 58 East 124 St, 1 year 5,000

RADCLIFFE, George, to Martha L. Ruffle, executrix; s s of 120th St, 201.8 ft w of 5th Av, 3 years 13,000

RAIMOND, George, to William Raymond; s s of 28th St, 100 ft w of 6th Av, one-third part, 1 year 4,000

REHAMAN, Elias and Hannah, to Leopold and Isidor Stern and another; 371 Delancey St, demand 800

ROGERS, Francis, to Title Guarantee and Trust Company; 6 West 125th St, 5 years 18,000

ROTHERMEL, Albert, to Edward M. Sheppard; e s corner of 148th St and Bergen Av, one-half year 2,000

SCHRADER, John W., to Henry L. Pearsall; s e corner of Avenue D and 3d St, Unionport, 3 years 700

SCHWEITZER, Rachel and Bessie, to Moritz Berlinger; 59 Montgomery St, also e s of Montgomery St, Lot 36, map of North Romayne, 1 year 2,500

STANTON, Edwin B., to Max Freund; 187 and 189 Mercer St, 1 year, (3 mortgages) 30,000

STARK, Rose, and Louis Steiner to Mathias Goeren and another; e s of 5th Av, 75.8 ft n of 113th St, 3 years 8,000

STOLZ, George, to the German Savings Bank; e s of Fulton Av, 401.11 ft n of 169th St, 1 year 5,000

STORCK, George H., to Charles D. Clark; w s of Southern Boulevard, 181.7 ft s of 180th St, ½ year 250

TAYLOR, Charles H., to William H. McWhirter; s s of 19th St, 125 ft w of 4th Av, demand 2,300

TESCHENMACHER, Matilde, to Henry Engel; w s of 5th Av, 75.11 ft s of 113th St, 2½ years 1,500

TILDEN, William, to Clifford A. Hand, executor; 46 Irving Place, 3 years 23,000

TURNER, William C., to Citizens' Savings Bank; s s of 148th St, 300 ft w of Amsterdam Av, 1 year 60,000

WARD, Walworth, to Anna M. Seitz; s e corner of 187th St and Audubon Av, 3 years 10,000

WEISS, Sophia, to Herbert B. Turner; 206 East 115th St, 2 years 10,000

WHITE, Matthew E., to Jacob Ruppert; 1,613 East End Av, (saloon lease,) demand 1,000

Assignments of Mortgages.

ALLCOT, Edmund C., as administrator, to Edmund C. Allcot, (four assignments) ..Nom.

BASSETT, Hannah V. C., and others, executors, &c., to Peter Moller and others, trustees ..... Omitted

CALLAHAN, Matthew, to the Lawyers' Mortgage Insurance Company ..... Omitted

COWPERTHWAIT, Josephine N., general guardian, to Lillie Weiker 9,000

DIECKMANN, Steffen, to Anna C. W. Dieckmann 30,000

DIECKMANN, Steffen, to Marie Dieckmann, (two assignments) 40,000

FITZGERALD, Ellen, to Louise Diebold.. 800

HEYMAN, Lewis, and another, executors, to Samuel Hernis, guardian, &c 30,000

HOPP, Amelia H., to Amy Hope ..... Nominal

HOROWITZ, Fannie, to Richard Dudensing 2,500

HUTTER, Leopold, administrator, &c., to Louise Backhaus 2,800

KAYSENBERG, Julius, to Randolph Guggenheimer ..... Nominal

KOSTER & BIAL and another to Henry Iden ..... Nominal

LACHMAN, Samson, and another, executor, to Sigmund Herzfelder 7,000

MIDDLEBROOK, Frederic J., to Catharine Ridley 11,046

MIDDLEBROOK, Frederic J., to Henry C. Pitney and another, executors 10,039

MIDDLEBROOK, Frederic J., to Francis K. Pendleton and another, trustees 15,050

POOL, John H., trustee, to Herman Gampert 14,000

ROBY, Augusta A., to Simon Wilkins ..Nominal

SILLIMAN, Emma R., to Barrow, by attorney, to Mary A. R. O'Brien 20,283

STOLZ, George, to George Wiegand 1,015

WILLIAMSON, Smith, to Jane Miner and another 1,000

Mechanics' Liens.

FRONT ST, n w corner of Burling Slip, 44.7x66; John R. Setz against William Masterson & Co., Limited, owner; John Webber & Sons, contractors $862

LEXINGTON AV, 2,004; Conroy against James Conroy, as contractor 24

UNION AV, w s, 100 ft s of 165th St, 75x100; the Cox Sons & Buckley Company against the German St. Stephen's Evangelical Lutheran Church, owner and contractor 67

WEBSTER AV, s e corner of 183d St, 50 x65; James A. and E. T. Wolf against Robert Pickens, owner and contractor.. 2D AV, 2,487; Thomas R. Calder against Mary Smith, owner; James O'Kane, contractor 1,258

11TH ST, 64 and 66 East; Kertscher & Co. against Armund Johnsen, owner and contractor 117

110TH ST, n s, 100 ft e of 2d Av, 75x 100.11x — x80.10; Pasquale Fasano and others against Morris Lewin, or Levin, owner, Tony Altieri, contractor 1,800

127TH ST, 122 and 124 East; Jacob Rabinowitz against George Jenkins, owner and contractor 251

133D ST, n s, 100 ft w of St. Ann's Av, 100x100; Julius Ruge against James D. Edwards, owner; Goldstein & Mason, contractors 160

136TH ST, n s, 99.6 ft e of St. Ann's Av, 100x75; Harry W. Bell against Herman Engelhart, owner; John Kaiser and Herman Engelhart, contractors 257

143D ST, 225 West; Richard H. Morrison against Frank E. Stephens and Theodore R. Klenke, owners and contractors 61

144TH ST, s s, 450 ft e of 8th Av, 50x 99.11; Oscar G. Bokstrom against Antonio Gallo and others, owners and contractors 335

161ST ST, 523 to 543 West; George F. Werner against William Broadbelt, owner and contractor 1,475

183D ST, s w corner of Audubon Av, 25x 100; John R. Setz against George S. Goebel, owner; William H. Hunt, owner and contractor 3,000

BUILDING LOAN CONTRACTS. Chapter 418, Laws of 1897.

MERCER ST, 187 and 189; Max Freund, with Title Guarantee and Trust Co. Central Realty Company, 8 payments 40,000

5TH AV, n e corner of 20th St, 26.9x118; Jacob D. Butler, with John W. Ferguson, 10 payments 75,000

Lis Pendens.

BROADWAY, 634, and Crosby St, 166; Louis and Samuel Sachs against William H. C. Jackson and others, (foreclosure of mortgage;) attorneys, Strong & Cadwalader.

DELANCEY ST, n s, 78.3 ft e of Sheriff St, 21.9x 100; Charles E. Bigelow against Abraham Brown and others, (foreclosure of mortgage;) attorney, H. Brace.

MAPES AV, n w s, 659 ft n e of Samuel St, 66x 150; Lillie P. Gray against Thomas J. and Mary A. Ford, (foreclosure of mortgage;) attorney, G. A. Minsaian.

RIVER AV, e s, 300 ft n e of 167th, or James, St, 100x150; Mary A. G. McLochlin against Cora F. Mann and others, (foreclosure of mortgage;) attorney, J. J. Deering.

VANDERBILT AV, n e corner of 180th St, 150x 125; George M. Smith against New York Condensed Milk Company and others, (foreclose lien;) attorney, C. S. Truax.

WILLIAM ST, 118; Christiana F. Wallace and others against John S. Kennedy and others, (partition;) attorneys, Wells, Waldo & Snedeker.

23D ST, 438 West; the Institution for the Savings of Merchants' Clerks against Margaret E. Newhall and others, (foreclosure of mortgage;) attorneys, S. P. & J. McL. Nash.

56TH ST, s s, 271.8 ft w of 8th Av, 20.8x100.5; Mary E. Manuel against Jane M. Muller and another, (foreclosure of mortgage;) attorneys, Howland, Murray & Anderson.

69TH ST, n s, 74 ft e of 2d Av, 26x100.5; August P. Wagener against Henry Scherr and others, (action to set aside deeds;) attorney, A. P. Wagner.

90TH ST, 164 West; the German Savings Bank against Sigmund B. Steinmarn and others, (foreclosure of mortgage;) attorney, A. H. Moses.

100TH ST, n s, 200 ft e of Boulevard, 25x52; Benjamin Berger against Robert L. De Camp and another, (foreclosure of lien;) attorneys, Ginsburg & Mathof.

104TH ST, s s, 194 ft e of Columbus Av, 100x 100.11; Urbano Cavallucci and others against Rosa Wiederman and others, (foreclosure of lien;) attorney, J. H. Corn.

109TH ST, 114 and 116 West; Leo S. Bing against John Welcker, (foreclosure of lien;) attorneys, Stern & Rushmore.

118TH ST, s s, 285 ft e of Lenox Av, 75x100.11; William Rankin against Ludwig Tangredi and others, (foreclosure of mortgage;) attorneys, Dyer, Duer & Bauendorf.

130TH ST, n s, 75 ft w of Madison Av, 17.6x 99.11; Ellen Roche against Mary E. Kelly, (foreclosure of mortgage;) attorney, G. E. Minasian.

144TH ST, s s, 450 ft e of 8th Av, 50x99.11; Augusta A. Roby against Vincenzo Serra and others, (foreclosure of mortgage;) attorneys, Sturges & Roby.

FEDERAL COURTS.

Calendars for Tuesday, April 5.

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT—Wallace, Lacombe, and Shipman, JJ. Calendar called by Lacombe, J., Room 124, Post Office Building, at 11 A. M. Civil causes (jury.)

12—Hirschel vs. Mc-Kibben.
31—Thompson vs. Met. St. Ry. Co.
34—Haber vs. Western Union.
38—Nelson vs. 3d Av. R. R.
46—Spiro vs. National Acc. Society.
47—Stillwell vs. Flint.
49—Britner vs. Lehigh & H. R. R.
51—Yawtok vs. Block.
52—McLaughlin vs. 42d St. Ry.
56—Green vs. Manhattan Ry.
60—J. H. Mohlman Co. vs. Firemen's Ins. Co.
71—Falk vs. Leslie.
72—Blackmore vs. Herrfeld.
80—Cox Brass Mfg. Co. vs. Cooper.
81—Rigney vs. Tuck & Sons Co.
82—Schenck vs. Bennett.
83—Griggs vs. Campion.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT—Brown, J.—Opens in Room 66 Post Office Building at 11 A. M.

107—Taylor vs. Bark Agate.
32—Atl. Mut. Ins. Co. vs. S. S. British Queen.
33—Mannheim Ins. Co. vs. same.
25—Irwin vs. Steamboat Magenta and Tug Niagara.
26—Eldridge vs. same.
45—Pittman vs. same.
27—Lenard vs. Tug Three Brothers.
28—O'Donnell vs. Tug Royal.
29—Hallenbeck vs. Canalboat John E. Lang.
62—Kingwell & S. Co. vs. No. Am. Trans. Co.
63—Beers vs. Baxter.
64—McIntosh vs. Romondt.
31—Jefferson vs. N. Y. & Lake Champlain Trans. Co.
34—Griffin vs. Southern Pacific Co.

SUPREME COURT—Appellate Division—Van Brunt, P. J.—Barrett, Rumsey, Patterson, and O'Brien, JJ. Opens at 1 P. M. Enumerated motions.

4—People ex rel. Kuhtmas vs. Martin.
14—Dillon vs. 42d St., &c., R. R. Co.
15—Gumby vs. Met. St. Ry. Co.
19—Henriques vs. Yale University.
20—Same vs. Miriam Osborne Memorial Home Assn.
21—Same vs. Sterling.
22—Storey vs. Mayor, &c.

SUPREME COURT—Appellate Term—Adjourned for the term.

SUPREME COURT—Special Term—Part I.—Bischoff, Jr., J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Litigated motions.

1—Borowe vs. Corbin.
2—Tuck vs. Tuck.
3—Wagner vs. Van Dycke.

SUPREME COURT—Special Term—Day calendar to be called in Part II. room at 10:30 A. M. Cases will be assigned to the several parts of Special Term for trial.

6057—Levy vs. Passavant.
5405—Morean vs. Rosenstein.
6244—Nat. B'k of Deposit vs. Sardy.
6337—Carswell vs. Burrell.
6341—Rossut vs. Ernst.
5097—Hayden vs. Simons.
5855—Baker vs. Baker.
5075—U. S. Glass Co. vs. Levitt.
6068—Smith vs. Flaherty.
5022—Lippitt vs. Gilmartin.
9455—Kelly vs. Hoffman House.
4505—McClave vs. Manhattan Ry. Co.
4506—Hamilton vs. same.

SUPREME COURT—Special Term—Part II.—Freedman, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Ex parte business.

SUPREME COURT—Special Term—Part III.—W. Lloyd Smith, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Calendar clear. Motions.

1—Borowe vs. Corbin.
2—Tuck vs. Tuck.
3—Wagner vs. Van Dycke.
4—Man vs. Thompson. Demurrer.
642—Ernest vs. N. Y. Guaranty and Indemnity Co.

SUPREME COURT—Special Term—Day calendar to be called in Part III. room at 10:30 A. M. Cases will be assigned to the several parts of Special Term for trial.

5344—Mulrein vs. Weissbecker.
5434—Manahan vs. Manahan.
6499—Abbott vs. Abbott.
6600—Beecroft vs. Beecroft.
6471—Occidental Oil Co. vs. Union Oil Co.
6538—Kuhn vs. Smith.
6554—Eastman Co. vs. Sayles.
6601—Judson vs. Judson.
5819—Cumings vs. Tamsen.

Regular call, 6603.

SUPREME COURT—Special Term—Part IV.—Cohen, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Cases to be sent from day calendar for trial. Calendar clear.

SUPREME COURT—Special Term—Part V.—Pryor, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Cases to be sent from day calendar for trial. Calendar clear.

SUPREME COURT—Special Term—Part VI.—Stover, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Litigated motions to be sent from Special Term, Part I. Calendar clear.

SUPREME COURT—Special Term—Part VII.—Scott, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Elevated railroad cases. Calendar clear.

SUPREME COURT—Special Term—Part VIII.—Adjourned for the term.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Part I.—Criminal Term. Gildersleeve, J.—Assistant District Attorneys McIntyre, Berlinger, and Cowan for the People. Opens at 10:30 A. M.

1—William Butler.
2—George M. Lincoln.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Part II.—Truax, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Calendar clear. Cases will be sent from this calendar to Part XII. for trial.

Preferred Causes.

9067—Wannemaker vs. Nalle.
9045—MacKnight Flintic Stone Co. vs. The Mayor, &c.
12796—Gerstfeld vs. Strauss.
15306—Fleischer vs. Aitman.
13154—Coppolo vs. Cosgrove.
13448—Greenbaum vs. O'Neill.
14675—Spiegel vs. Simpson.
15246—Connelly vs. N. Y. C. & H. R. R. R. Co.
14260—Sigel vs. Mayor, &c.
15062—De Jora vs. Met. St. Ry. Co.
15544—Gaidos vs. Creiger.
15463—Herman vs. Merchants' Ins. Co.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Day calendar to be called in Part III. room at 10:15 A. M. Cases will be sent from this calendar to Parts III., IV., V., and VI. for trial.

2329—Carpenter vs. Penn. R. R. Co.
1222—Emerald & H. Co. vs. Tannenbaum.
8702—Perkins vs. Price.
9764—Walker vs. Long Island R. R. Co.
5157—Anderson vs. R. Mitchell Furniture Co.
8910—Schilling vs. Met. St. Ry. Co.
10002—Witterman vs. Genesee Fruit Co.
2897—Wagner vs. Lichtenstadter.
4505—McClave vs. Manhattan Ry. Co.
4506—Hamilton vs. same.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Part III.—Williams, J.—Opens at 10:15 A. M. Cases to be sent from day calendar for trial. Calendar clear.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Part IV.—Bookstaver, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Cases to be sent from day calendar for trial. Case on.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Part V.—Dugro, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Cases to be sent from day calendar for trial. Case on.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Part VI.—Giegerich, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Cases to be sent from day calendar for trial. Case on.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Day calendar to be sent from Part VII. room at 10:30 A. M. Cases will be sent from this calendar to Parts VII., VIII., IX., X., and XI. for trial.

5979—Mulligan vs. Met. St. Ry. Co.
9058—Acer vs. Damen.
8472—Curry vs. Munson.
5446—Smith vs. Dempsey.
9961—Macklin vs. Mission of the Immaculate Virgin.
8825—McMahon vs. Bennett.
10620—Corell vs. Rhodes.
10661—Steinheimer vs. Kensler.
10667—Williams vs. White.
10698—Aldrich vs. Bonnell.
10715—Silk vs. Smith.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Part VII.—Beach, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Cases to be sent from day calendar for trial. Calendar clear.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Part VIII.—Beekman, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Cases to be sent from day calendar for trial. Case on.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Part IX.—Laughlin, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Cases to be sent from day calendar for trial. Calendar clear.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Part X.—MacLean, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Cases to be sent from day calendar for trial. Calendar clear.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Part XI.—Mc-Adam, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Cases to be sent from day calendar for trial. Case on.

SUPREME COURT—Trial Term—Part XII.—Chester, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M. Cases to be sent from preferred calendar for trial. Case on.

SURROGATE'S COURT—Chambers—Arnold, S.—Motion calendar called at 10:30 A. M.

1—Theodore A. Havemeyer.
2—Mary L. Ritter.
8—Margaretha Weber.
4—John Eichler.
5—Bernard A. Goodwin.
6—Sophia Rosenberg.
7—Charles Drake.
8—Bartlett S. Marshall.
9—Benjamin Hirschberg.
10—Matthew Byrnes.
11—Annie Pemrick.
12—Henrietta Both.
13—Joseph Burwinkel.
14—Mary E. Dwinnell.
15—Same.
16—Alexander Curtis.
17—Casper Woolford.
18—Francis McCabe.
19—John Bermingham.
20—William Franklin.
21—James J. Horgan.
22—Walter Garrett.
23—William Franklin.
24—William Bloomfield.
25—Hetty M. Gomez.
26—Maurice Loewy.
27—William Wolfrath.
28—William H. Martin.
29—James M. Murray.
30—Philip Byers.
31—Louis Straats.
32—Jason Elliott.
33—James C. Anderson.
34—John J. Coffey.
35—Same.
36—Same.
37—James G. Hynds.
38—John F. Beck.
39—Ruth B. Elliott.
40—Peter R. Warner.
41—Andrew McGown.
42—Mary Mellegen.
43—Clara Merbele.
44—John F. Matthews.
45—John Lippes.
46—Henry J. Newton.
47—Joseph W. Drexel.
48—William H. Hawks.
49—Adam Hearmann.
50—William H. Dilworth.

Wills for Probate.—At 10:30 A. M.

Maria Evans.
Edward F. Randolph.
Mary A. Latham.

DUFFY CHOSEN COLONEL.

Cheers for Major Lynch When the Result of the 69th Regiment Election Was Announced.

Lieut. Col. Edward Duffy was elected Colonel of the Sixty-ninth Regiment last night, but his name was hissed by a crowd of men in the main hall of the armory when the result of the election became known, and there were loud cheers for his principal opponent, Major Thomas F. Lynch. The Major was seised and carried through the hall on the shoulders of his friends. Not a cheer was heard for the new Colonel.

The election was by ballot, and the voting was, as is the rule, restricted to the twenty-six commissioned officers. The polls opened at 8:30 o'clock, and closed at 9:30. Brig. Gen. George Moore Smith, former Colonel of the regiment, presided, and was assisted by one of his aides, Major O'Donohue. Lieut. Col. Duffy received 14 votes, Major Lynch 6, and Major Speliman 4. When the result was announced the new Colonel arose and thanked the officers assembled for thus honoring him with their votes. He said that all the officers would be treated alike.

On leaving the room where the election took place the officers found that the main hall was packed with members of the regiment.

"Hurrah for Major Lynch!" cried a man in a group standing outside the room of Company K, which the Major once commanded. The hall rang with cheers from one end to the other.

"Hurrah for Duffy!" yelled a voice.

The cry was greeted with loud hisses, in which no cheers mingled.

Then Major Lynch was lifted upon the shoulders of some of Company K's men and was carried to the company's room.

The new Colonel and his followers withdrew to the Sinclair House in Broadway.

JERSEY JUSTICE EXPENSIVE.

The Grand Jury Complains of Extravagance in Hudson County.

The Hudson County Grand Jury, which was discharged yesterday by Judge Lippincott at Jersey City, made two presentments. The first was to the effect that the administration of justice in the county is too expensive, the cost having increased over 100 per cent, in twelve years. The presentment says that the increased cost is attributable to the fact that the county is saddled with expenses that should be borne by the municipalities.

The second presentment objects to the manner in which the Assessors discharge their duties. The greatest evil exists in Jersey City, where the rate varies, some property being assessed at double its value, while other property is only assessed at half its value.

MARVEL-STONE CASE DISMISSED.

Litigation Which Has Hung Fire for Several Years Ended.

Justice Maddox, in the Supreme Court, in Long Island City, yesterday dismissed the suit brought by William D. Marvel against the estate of the late George F. Stone and Robert L. S. Hall and Edward N. Hill for $3,000,000 damages growing out of the collapse of the firm of William D. Marvel & Co. and the Marvel Iron Company, Limited, which were formed in 1886 for the purpose of developing iron mines in Spain.

The suit, which has been hanging fire in the courts since the death of Mr. Stone, in 1894, came up for hearing last in January, but at the request of Mr. Marvel it was postponed, and yesterday when further delay was asked for by Marvel's attorney, Justice Maddox refused to consider it, and called the case for trial. As Marvel's attorney offered no appearance the case was dismissed, and the plaintiff was ordered to pay costs amounting to $1,000.

THE PRINCETON STOVE IN.

Tug Struck the Ferryboat, Tearing a Hole in Her Cabin.

The Pennsylvania Railroad ferryboat Princeton was in collision yesterday with the Standard Oil Company's tug Tea Rose. The Princeton was on her way from Desbrosses Street to her slip at Exchange Place, Jersey City, at 9:20 o'clock A. M.

Capt. L. M. Decker, who was in the pilot house, says he blew one whistle, signifying that he would go to the right, but, as he alleges, the Tea Rose kept on her course. She struck the Princeton on the port side just abaft the paddlebox, staving a big hole in the side of the men's cabin and tearing away the rear guard rail. There was great excitement among the few passengers on board, and in the rush to get out of the cabin two men were thrown down and slightly hurt.

Bernard Goldstein of 84 Mangin Street, this city, was prostrated by the shock. He was sent to the City Hospital. The damage to the Princeton is estimated at $400. The Tea Rose was not injured.

DIED AFTER EATING SHAD.

The Coroner's Physician Says It Was Not Ptomaine Poisoning.

Mrs. Kindleberger, wife of Dr. Kindleberger, a naval Director at Washington, died Sunday evening at the Hotel Gerard, West Forty-fourth Street, Dr. Davis of 153 West Forty-fourth Street attributing her death to exhaustion, heart failure, and ptomaine poisoning. She ate some shad for her dinner Friday evening, and complained of feeling ill a few hours later. She grew worse Sunday afternoon, and Dr. Davis was called in, but could do nothing. Mrs. Kindleberger dying at 8 o'clock. He thought death was superinduced by ptomaine poisoning from the shad she had eaten.

The Coroner's office was notified, and Dr. Williams, who called to make an autopsy on the body, found it unnecessary, as upon examination he declared that death had been caused by heart failure and acute indigestion. He issued a permit for the removal of the body, which was taken to Washington. Mrs. Kindleberger had been in the city only a few days on a visit. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Henry Poor of Virginia.

POVERTY CAUSED HIS SUICIDE.

Druggist Merritt Writes He Was Betrayed and Robbed.

"Merry Santa Claus," as H. Edward Merritt, a sixty-year-old druggist of 1,202 Myrtle Avenue, Brooklyn, was called, committed suicide yesterday afternoon by inhaling illuminating gas. Poverty, brought about by those whom he trusted, had tired him of life. He lived the life of a recluse in a boarding house at 1,218 Bushwick Avenue, while his wife, who is said to be dangerously ill, is stopping with a relative of the name of Alexander Lee, in Pleasant Valley Station, near Mount Vernon.

Upon investigation a letter, which read as follows, was found under a bottle:

"I can not stand this any longer; they have robbed me of everything, and I've trusted them as if they were my sons. When I came to New York two years ago I had plenty of money and friends. Now I have no money, no friends, and no hope. Gin and rum will do the rest."

Merritt undoubtedly referred in his letter to his agents, whom he had sent all over the country with a patent horse liniment. He was non-communicative and rarely spoke with his neighbors; for children, however, he always had a penny and a friendly word.

The Merchants' Excursion Rates.

Yesterday was the last day for merchants to return home at reduced rates from the third series of conventions held by the Merchants' Association of this city. The next series of conventions under the auspices of the association will be held from April 12 to April 18. Tickets for this series will be placed on sale on Friday, and will be sold until April 14. These tickets will be sold throughout what is known as the Trunk Line territory, and will be good returning until April 21.

FURNISHED ROOMS.

A PRIVATE FAMILY WILL RENT A LARGE front room, dining room, closets, and adjacent bath to two gentlemen; house near 23d St. "L" station and Central Park. Address E. S., Box 191 Times.

SIXTY DOLLARS MONTHLY, FURNISHED floor; private bath; modern residence; west side. Young Couple, Box 824, Times Up-town Office, 1,260 Broadway.

EXCURSIONS.

WASHINGTON.—Special Easter excursion, three days, $5 round trip; leaves Pennsylvania Railroad station, foot of West 23d st., 8:40 A. M. and 4:10 P. M. daily; returning leaves Washington 8:00 A. M. and 7:00 P. M. daily. Tickets at 261 and 1,196 Broadway, N. Y.

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Open all the year. Salt water baths. Thoroughly modern. Liberal management.

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On the beach front; capacity, 400; first-class in all appointments; rooms en suite, with sea and fresh water baths; music in the palm room daily; evening concerts in the grotto café; dances Saturdays. C. R. MYERS, Proprietor.

HOTEL CHAMPLAINE, ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Kentucky Av., near beach; capacity 300; steam heat, sun parlor; elevator from street level; cuisine and service unsurpassed. Special Spring Rates, $3.00 from Saturday P. M. to Monday A. M. Tel. 376. C. SKILTON.

LINDEN HALL,

Atlantic City, N. J., Virginia Av. and beach; opens April 2d; capacity, 350; steam heat, elevator; special Spring rates. M. C. ADAMS.

HOTEL STICKNEY, ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Ky. Av., 100 feet from beach, steam heat; sun parlor; elevator; $2.00 to $2.50 per day; $10 to $15 per week. American Plan. L. V. STICKNEY.

THE NORWOOD—Kentucky Av., 100 feet from Beach. Steam Heat. Rates, $1.50 to $2.00 per day; $8 to $12 weekly. F. ALSFELT.

KENILWORTH INN.—Reopens Feb. 10th. Atlantic City, N. J. Steam heat; sun parlor; elevator to ground floor. T. K. GOULD.

INSTRUCTION.

A Former Government Official desires a few men to coach for coming examination for position; United States Customs Inspector; success guaranteed. Address "Inspector," 286 Union St., Jersey City.

TEACHERS.

TEACHER.—Foreign lady (diploma) wishes to give lessons in German, French, and Spanish at pupils' homes. Address L. G., 107 Rodney St., Brooklyn.

MISCELLANEOUS.

BEST QUALITY OF LEHIGH RED ASH AND Locust Mountain Coal at lowest Cash rates. Yards, cor. 87th St. & West End Av., 54th St. & 10th Av., 32d St. & 10th Av. THOMAS STOKES.

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALES.

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Chambermaids.

CHAMBERMAID and WAITRESS.—By a competent young girl in private family; best of reference. 607 Amsterdam Av., between 89th and 90th Sts.

Cooks.

COOK—USEFUL MAN.—By a couple; wife first-class Swedish cook; thoroughly competent in all branches; man as useful; gentlemanly and willing; select references. Hellstrom, 419 3d Av.

COOK.—By a cook in a private family; competent in all branches of cooking and baking; creams, sherbits, and ices; is a good manager; country preferred; good reference. B. M., 270 West 23d St.

COOK.—By a thorough cook; understands meat and pastry; makes good soups; good baker; private family; city reference; city or country. Thornton, 843 Amsterdam Av.

COOK.—A lady wishes to place a good English Protestant cook; two and one-half years' reference. Call Tuesday, between 12 and 3, 414 Madison Av.

COOK.—By young girl as competent cook; private family; willing and obliging; best personal city reference; wages $20. S. Delenthy's bell, 587 Lexington Av.

COOK.—By a respectable young woman as good plain cook; willing to help wash; reference. 281 East 56th St.; ring Pudner's bell.

COOK.—By respectable woman as cook; thoroughly understands her business; first-class city references. A. F., Box 298, 1,269 Broadway.

COOK.—By young woman to cook and do plain washing; private family; city references. 184 West 15th St.

COOK.—First-class; thoroughly understands her business; city references. S., Box 306, 1,269 Broadway.

COOK.—By first-class cook; city references. H. H., Box 49, 1,242 Broadway.

Day's Work.

DAY'S WORK.—By a woman to go out washing, ironing, and housecleaning by the day. 464 West 41st St.

DAY'S WORK.—To do washing or housecleaning by the day; reference. Mrs. Brady, 302 East 75th St.

Governesses.

GOVERNESS.—As resident governess by a well educated French lady; good musician; would take entire charge of children; city references. B. P., Box 61, 1,242 Broadway.

GOVERNESS.—By French nursery governess; English and Spanish; entire charge of children; best references. Mademoiselle, 149 West 36th St.

Kitchenmaids.

KITCHENMAID.—By a first-class kitchenmaid; city reference. J., Box 276, 1,269 Broadway.

Lady's Maids.

MAID and SEAMSTRESS.—Speaks French and German; would like to go traveling with a lady; good city reference. 14 East 62d St.

Laundresses.

LAUNDRESS.—By a competent woman as first-class laundress in a private family; best personal references; wages from $22 up. Address, by letter, L., 990 6th Av.

Nurses.

NURSE.—By a middle-aged Frenchwoman; thoroughly competent; care infant from birth or baby under 2 years; invaluable for sick or delicate child; lived with some of the best New York families; highest city references. H. B., Box 41, 1,242 Broadway.

NURSE and SEAMSTRESS.—By young North of Ireland Protestant girl, lately landed, to take care of growing children and do sewing. 410 West 51st St., Winslow's bell.

NURSE.—By a reliable, middle-aged woman to take charge of infant; best city reference. 902 3d Av., second bell.

Seamstresses.

SEAMSTRESS and MAID.—By first-class dressmaker in private family as seamstress and maid; best personal references. E., 1,515 3d Av.

SEAMSTRESS, &c.—By Protestant girl as seamstress and assist with other light work. A. O., Box 14, 1,269 Broadway.

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Waitresses.

WAITRESS.—By a respectable young girl as good waitress; thoroughly competent; in small family; honest, sober, willing, and obliging; 18 months last employer. Address, by letter only, E. M., 224 West 19th St.

WAITRESS.—Thoroughly competent; take man's place; best city references; wages $25. M., Box 357, 1,269 Broadway.

Miscellaneous.

CASHIER or OFFICE WORKER.—Not afraid of long hours. Address Earnest, 25 East 14th St.

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALES.

Butlers.

BUTLER.—A lady going abroad would like to find a situation for her English butler, whom she can thoroughly recommend. Butler, Box 268, 1,269 Broadway.

BUTLER.—By a thoroughly reliable young man; eight years' best city reference; is a good valet and silver cleaner. J., 157 East 33d St.

BUTLER.—Lady going to country wishes to find situation for butler; highly recommended. 39 East 64th St.

BUTLER or VALET.—By single man as butler or valet; thirty-four; neat; best personal city recommendations. Care Bailey, 238 East 37th St.

BUTLER and VALET.—Thoroughly understands the duties of a gentleman's house; personal reference. Butler, 455 6th Av.

BUTLER or VALET.—By young Japanese in private family; good reference. H. I. Box 196 Times.

Coachmen.

COACHMAN.—By a first-class coachman, with nine years' reference from last employer; not afraid of work; city or country. A. B., care of Quimby & Co., 5th Av. and 27th St.

COACHMAN.—Thoroughly understands care of fine horses, harness; excellent rider, driver; willing and obliging; references. R. B., 75 West 9th St.

COACHMAN.—By a first-class coachman; references from three of the best families in New York; leaving on account of death. Call or address Hay, 43 East 50th St.

COACHMAN, GARDENER, and GENERALLY Useful Man.—Highest references; terms moderate; country preferred; state terms. W. R. Cullen, 179 Richard St., Brooklyn.

Gardeners.

GARDENER.—A gentleman wishes to recommend an experienced and responsible gardener; married; small family; thoroughly understands flowers, vegetables; can take entire charge of gentleman's place. C. M., Box 158, Times Office.

GARDENER.—Married; small family; thoroughly understands care of gentleman's place; greenhouses, vegetables, fruits, and shrubbery; thorough farmer; fourteen years in present place. M. R., care of Alexis McConnell, 546 5th Av.

GARDENER.—By single man; sober, honest, and reliable; understands all about fruit raising, forcing under hot and cold glasses; has the best of reference from last employer. G. L., Box 198, Times Office.

Second Men.

SECOND MAN, &c.—By young Swiss as second man or single-handed. Call Wednesday at present employer's, 17 West 38th St.

Useful Men.

USEFUL MAN.—Milk, care horse, plain garden, lawn, and drives; handy; references. E. M., 397 Fulton St., Brooklyn.

THE TRADES.

PAINTER.—To do painting, decorating, paper hanging, &c.; owners, agents, private, &c.; best city references; first-class work; reasonable; paper hanging, 25 cents a roll; easy terms. Jacoby, 1,854 3d Av.; telephone 898-79th St.

HELP WANTED—FEMALES.

WANTED—First-class chambermaid at once; best references. 139 Madison Av.

WANTED—A first-class German cook, in a private family. 1,384 5d Av.

HELP WANTED—MALES.

WANTED—A young man of enterprise and ability to solicit advertisements for a leading New York paper. S., Box 101 Times Office.

REFEREES' NOTICES.

NEW YORK SUPREME COURT.—County of New York.—WALTER F. KINGSLAND, plaintiff, against KARL M. WALLACH and others, defendants.

In pursuance of a judgment of foreclosure and sale duly made and entered in the above-entitled action, and bearing date the first day of March, 1898, I, the undersigned referee in the said judgment named, will sell at public auction, at the New York Real Estate Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New York, County of New York, Borough of Manhattan, on the thirteenth day of April, 1898, at twelve o'clock noon of that day, by Philip A. Smyth, auctioneer, the premises in said judgment mentioned and therein described, as follows: All that certain lot, piece, or parcel of land, with the building thereon erected, situate, lying, and being in the City, County, and State of New York, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a point where the southerly line of One Hundred and Second Street intersects the westerly line of Second Avenue, thence running westerly along the southerly line of One Hundred and Second Street seventy-five (75) feet, thence running southerly on a line parallel with Second Avenue twenty-five (25) feet eleven (11) inches, thence running easterly on a line parallel with One Hundred and Second Street and part of the distance through the centre of a party wall seventy-five (75) feet to the westerly side of Second Avenue, thence northerly along the westerly side of Second Avenue twenty-five (25) feet eleven (11) inches to the point or place of beginning. Together with all the right, title, and interest of the said parties of the first part named in the mortgage described in the complaint in and to the street and avenue in front of and adjoining said premises.—Dated New York, March 17th, 1898.

RICHARD H. CLARKE, Referee.

HENRY F. MILLER, Plaintiff's Attorney, 44 Pine Street, New York City.

102d Street.

No. 1933 Second Ave.

The approximate amount of the lien or charge to satisfy which the property is to be sold is $18,097.15, (exclusive of costs,) with interest from February 18th, 1898, and the approximate amount of the charges or liens for taxes, water rates, &c., is $1,073.85, with interest to be added.

RICHARD H. CLARKE, Referee.

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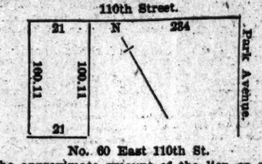
SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW York, New York County.—GUSTAV FALK, plaintiff, v. JAMES W. KETCHAM, et al., defendants.

In pursuance of a judgment of foreclosure and sale duly made and entered in the above entitled action and bearing date the 26th day of March, 1898, I, the undersigned, the referee in the said judgment named, will sell at public auction, at the New York Real Estate Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New York, County of New York, Borough of Manhattan, on the 27th day of April, 1898, at twelve o'clock noon of that day, by Thompson & Pryor, auctioneers, the premises in said judgment mentioned and therein described, as follows: All that certain lot, piece, or parcel of land, with the buildings thereon erected, situate, lying, and being in the City of New York and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the southerly side of One Hundred and Tenth Street; distant two hundred and thirty-four feet westerly from the southwesterly corner of said street and Park (formerly Fourth) Avenue; thence running southerly parallel with said avenue one hundred feet eleven inches to the centre line of the block; thence westerly along said centre line twenty-one feet; thence northerly, again parallel with Park (formerly Fourth) Avenue, one hundred feet eleven inches to the southerly side of One Hundred and Tenth Street, and thence easterly along said street twenty-one feet to the point or place of beginning.—Dated New York, March 28th, 1898. DONALD McLEAN, Referee.

WALLACH & COOK, Attorneys for Plaintiff, 33 Wall Street, Borough of Manhattan, N. Y. City.

The following is a diagram of the premises described in the foregoing notice of sale, known as Number 60 East 110th Street.

110th Street.



No. 60 East 110th St.

The approximate amount of the lien or charge to satisfy which the property is to be sold is as follows: Amount due plaintiff on mortgage mentioned in the complaint, $10,358.33, with interest thereon from March 22d, 1898; costs and allowance, $348; expenses of sale, about $150; annual taxes for 1896, $160.50, with interest; annual taxes for 1897, $157.50, with interest; water rates for 1896, $25.85, with interest; water rates for 1897, $25.85, with interest. The above amounts are stated approximately pursuant to Rule 14 of the Supreme Court, 1st Department.—Dated New York, March 28th, 1898.

DONALD McLEAN, Referee.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

EVANS & HECHLER.—The people of the State of New York.—To all persons interested in the estate of EVANS & HECHLER, (Phoenix Machine Works.) send greeting:

You and each of you are hereby cited and required personally to be and appear in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term, Part One, thereof, in the County Court House, in the County of New York, on the 25th day of May, 1898, at 10:30 o'clock A. M., there and then to show cause why a final settlement of the accounts of Max D. Josephson, as assignee of above-named Evans & Hechler, insolvent debtors, should not be had, and if no cause be shown, then to attend the final settlement of the assignee's accounts.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto caused the seal of the said Supreme Court of the State of New York to be hereto affixed. Witness, Hon. Roger A. Pryor, a Justice of the said Court, this 4th day of April, 1898. WM. SOHMER, Clerk.

[Seal.]

HYMAN & GOLDMAN, Att'ys for Assignee, 132 Nassau Street, New York City.

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BREWSTER, JAMES B., & CO.—In pursuance of an order of the Supreme Court of the State of New York entered in the office of the Clerk of the County of New York on the 26th day of February, 1898, notice is hereby given to all creditors and persons having claims against JAMES B. BREWSTER & CO., (Reorganized,) incorporated, lately doing business at 311 to 319 West 43d Street, in the City of New York, to present their claims, with vouchers therefor duly verified, to the subscriber, the duly appointed assignee of said James B. Brewster & Co., (Reorganized,) for the benefit of creditors, at his office, No. 63 Wall Street, in the Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the sixth day of May, 1898.—Dated New York, February 26, 1898.

SHERMAN EVARTS, Assignee.

WILLOUGHBY L. WEBB, Attorney for Assignee, 63 Wall Street, New York City.

SURROGATE NOTICES.

ALLCOT, HELEN J.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against HELEN J. ALLCOT, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, No. 1,116 East 175th Street, in the City of New York, Borough of the Bronx, on or before the sixth day of August next.—Dated New York, the 31st day of January, 1898. EDMOND C. ALLCOT, Administrator, &c.

HENRY E. KLUGH, Atty. for Adm'r, 108 Fulton St., N. Y. fl-law6mTu

ANDREWS, HENRY C.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against HENRY C. ANDREWS, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, No. 63 Wall Street, in the City of New York, Borough of Manhattan, on or before the 12th day of October next.—Dated New York, the 4th day of April, 1898. WILLIAM G. HOSEA, Executor. ADAMS & ALLEN, Attorneys for Executor, 63 Wall Street, New York City. ap5-law6mTu

DE MIRANDA, LUCIANA GOVIN.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John H. V. Arnold, Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against LUCIANA GOVIN DE MIRANDA, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, at No. 56 New Street, in the City of New York, on or before the tenth day of May next.—Dated New York, the ninth day of November, 1897.—ANGELINA DE QUESADA, Executrix. HORATIO S. RUBENS, Atty. for Executrix, 58 New Street, New York City. n9-law6mTu

DUVAL, LAWRENCE.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against LAWRENCE DUVAL, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at her place of transacting business, Room 97, No. 154 Nassau Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 30th day of April next.—Dated New York, the 26th day of October, 1897. MARGARET DUVAL, Administratrix. JOSEPH G. GAY, Attorney for Administratrix, 154 Nassau Street, New York City. c26-law6mTu

GEHLERT, EDWARD.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against EDWARD GEHLERT, late of the City of New York, deceased to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at her place of transacting business, at the offices of Wilder & Anderson, No. 45 Cedar Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 26th day of April next.—Dated New York, the 14th day of October, 1897. SOPHIA GEHLERT, Executrix. WILDER & ANDERSON, attorneys for executrix, 45 Cedar Street, New York City. c18-law6mTu

SURROGATE NOTICES.

HALL, AGNES S. V. A.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against AGNES S. V. A. HALL, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, at the office of Henry D. Anderson, No. 35 Wall Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 26th day of September next.—Dated New York, the 31st day of March, 1898. FREDERIC C. HANNEN, Executor. HENRY D. ANDERSON, Attorney for Executor, 35 Wall Street, New York. mh22-law6mTu

HART, ANNIE E. BLYDENBURGH.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against ANNIE E. BLYDENBURGH HART, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, at the office of Merrill & Rogers, No. 111 Broadway, in the City and County of New York, on or before the tenth day of September next. Dated New York, the seventh day of March, 1898. E. BURTON HART, Administrator. MERRILL & ROGERS, Attorneys for Administrator, No. 111 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, New York City. mh8-law6mTu

LEDGER, GEORGE.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against GEORGE LEDGER, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, at the office of Wilmot L. Morehouse, No. 26 Court Street, in the City of Brooklyn, New York, on or before the 6th day of June, 1898, next.—Dated New York, the 6th day of November, 1897. WILLIAM PERCY MILES, Executor. WILMOT L. MOREHOUSE, Attorney for Executor. No. 26 Court Street, Brooklyn, New York. n9-law6mTu

RAUE, ADOLPH.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John H. V. Arnold, a Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against ADOLPH RAUE, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, at the office of John J. Thomasson, their attorney, No. 206 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 17th day of June next.—Dated New York, the third day of December, 1897. ALFRED ROELLIG, NICOLAUS BRUEL, Executors. JOHN J. THOMASSON, Attorney for Executors, No. 206 Broadway, N. Y. City, N. Y. d7-law6mTu

SHANNON, WILLIAM.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John H. V. Arnold, a Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against WILLIAM SHANNON, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at her place of transacting business, the office of GLOVER, SWEEZY & GLOVER, No. 62 William Street, in the City of New York, on or before the seventeenth day of June next.—Dated New York, the 15th day of December, 1897. CARRIE E. LAIRD, Administratrix. GLOVER, SWEEZY & GLOVER, Att'ys for Admx., 62 William Street, N. Y. City. d14-law6mTu

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CHARTER CELEBRATION

eral Committee Decides to Postpone It Indefinitely Owing to Spanish Crisis.

"TIM" CAMPBELL VOTES "NO"

He Asks What Evidence There Is that the United States Is in a State of War, and Is Answered with a Laugh.

The present unsettled state of the controversy between the United States and Spain is responsible for the indefinite postponement of the celebration of Charter Day and the birth of the Greater New York on May 3, 4, and 5, the General Committee, at a special meeting held in the Fifth Avenue Hotel last night, deciding with only one dissenting vote that under the present conditions it would be inopportune and unwise.

The meeting was called to order by W. M. Washington, the Chairman, after which Robert B. Roosevelt arose and said that he wished to submit a set of resolutions, as follows:

Whereas, The proposed celebration of New York's Charter Day has met with the warmest and heartiest response; the Legislature of the State and its Governor have designated the day as a legal holiday; citizens, prominent in every walk of life, readily accepted appointment as members of the Citizens' Committee and of the Mayor's Committee; the press, with entire unanimity, gave encouragement; the people of the great metropolis have eagerly anticipated the celebration; sister cities have extended their congratulations and promised hearty co-operation; the great military, civic, and labor organizations were prepared to join in the proposed pageant; individual purses have been generously opened, furnishing subscriptions to an extent that insures adequate financial aid; but, however satisfactory is the public interest manifested in the celebration, it is clear that it is overshadowed, as it should be, by pending matters of serious moment affecting us Nationally and internationally; and

Whereas, Until it shall have been definitely determined whether the nation shall be at peace or whether it shall be embroiled in war, and until the important and vexed questions affecting Cuba shall have been finally solved to the satisfaction of the American people, it would manifestly be unwise, and certainly not in accordance with the dictates of good taste or sound judgment, to proceed with any municipal festivities, however interesting the occasion, to commemorate which they are given; therefore be it

Resolved, That the celebration of Charter Day, heretofore arranged to take place on May 4 next, be deferred; that the Executive Committee be clothed with power to determine hereafter, at such time as to them shall appear proper, the date when the meeting of the Committee on Celebration shall again take place for the purpose of definitely arranging the date and method of the deferred celebration; that it is the sense of this committee that prior to its resumption of work for the celebration the Honorary President, the Chairman, and Vice Chairman, who constituted the committee which appointed all committees, be empowered to reorganize the various committees; that the executive officers be directed to pay all indebtedness of the committee to date, and that no further indebtedness be created; that the balance of the funds to the credit of this committee remaining after such payment be left with the Treasurer of the committee, either for use at such deferred celebration or for proportionate redistribution to the subscribers of such funds as to the Executive Committee shall seem proper.

Jollification Out of Place.

After Mr. Roosevelt had read the resolutions he said that owing to the present troubles, which he hoped would have a peaceful solution, although it did not at present seem probable, a period of jollifications, banquets, balls, and parties would be out of place and unworthy of the occasion.

Thomas W. Pittman said that he heartily seconded Mr. Roosevelt's resolution, but hoped that all outstanding debts would be honorably paid, and if it was finally decided to have no celebration that the surplus arising therefrom be distributed pro rata among those who had contributed to the movement.

Ex-Judge Dittenhoefer asked if May 4, which had been declared a legal holiday, should not be taken into consideration, and while there was no time to arrange a great celebration, he thought something should be done, as the banks and all business houses would be closed. He therefore offered the following amendment to Mr. Roosevelt's resolutions:

Resolved, That the Executive Committee be empowered and authorized to take the legal holiday into consideration and do what is necessary to carry out the intent of the same.

The amendment was unanimously carried.

Mr. Campbell Arrives.

Just as Mr. Washington was about to put Mr. Roosevelt's resolution to a vote Timothy J. Campbell, who had arrived late, arose and said that he would like to ask the "distinguished gentleman," referring to Mr. Roosevelt, what his resolution was about, and Secretary Garnett was ordered to read the resolution for his edification, which was done. As Mr. Campbell seemed unable to grasp fully the reason for such a measure, Mr. Garnett was asked to read the preambles, which fully cleared up all Mr. Campbell's doubts on the question, and he arose to address the meeting.

"Very true," he said, "very true, but what evidence have we that we are in a state of war. [Laughter.] I thought, perhaps, the trouble was a financial one, and I want to say right here that while I haven't got as much money as I used to have, I am one citizen willing to celebrate, and I will write my check for $100 to-night, and let four hundred and ninety-nine other patriotic citizens do likewise. [Mr. Campbell had worked himself into a high state of righteous indignation by this time,] and then we won't have to ask the Common Council or anybody else for funds to carry on the celebration. Well, I remember," he thundered, "how, when I used to represent this State in Congress I used to say New York City is New York State, and New York State is the United States!

Anxious About Shame's Blush.

"But," he continued, his voice quivering with emotion and full of reproach, "oh, shame, where is thy blush! You go all over the country, telling every one what a grand city this is, the imperial city of the Empire State, but [hissing the words between his teeth] you haven't got the courage to put up the $50,000 that is needed to insure the grand celebration of the birth of the greatest city in the world. I don't think we are going to have war, and I want to say right here, let us either drop the idea, once for all, or let us carry it through, subscribe the money that is needed, and hold the celebration, which will bring thousands upon thousands of dollars to New York."

Mr. Campbell then sat down, overcome with his emotion, and out of breath, and waited for the applause to come. It failed to arrive.

Mr. Washington then said that even if the committee had the wealth of the Indies at its disposal it would certainly not be appropriate to hold the celebration, and asked all who were in favor of Mr. Roosevelt's resolutions to say "Aye." After a loud chorus of "ayes," Mr. Washington asked all opposed to say "No," and, while the committeemen sat with bated breath, Mr. Campbell, spectre-like, arose from his chair and in sepulchral tones said:

"Mr. Chairman, I, solitary and alone, vote no."

The meeting was then adjourned, subject to the call of the Executive Committee.

CITY DEBT LIMIT QUESTION.

Ex-Mayor Strong and His Associates Not Worried by Threats of Indictment.

None of Mayor Strong's Board of Estimate and Apportionment were much alarmed at Mr. Croker's statement that their reckless handling of the city's finances had rendered them liable to indictment. The ex-Mayor laughed when the statement was repeated to him.

"Did Mr. Croker say that?" he asked. "Well, well, that's too bad, but I guess we can stand it. I for one am ready at any time to face the music and prepared to take any punishment that may be inflicted, if I am found guilty."

Supreme Court Justice Scott, who was Corporation Counsel under the last administration, did not care to discuss the matter, and E. P. Barker, who was President of the Department of Taxes, was equally reticent. Ex-Controller Fitch said he considered it a mistake to believe that the city's debt limit was exceeded.

"I must decline," he said, "to talk of the matter further. I can see no end to be served in a verbal controversy with Mr. Croker. He is in power to-day as the result of a fair election, and, as far as I am concerned, he is at liberty to use that power as he deems best."

Controller Coler yesterday authorized the statement that $30,000,000 is a conservative estimate of the amount by which the debt limit of the city has been exceeded.

The general impression among the friends of the last administration is that there are no real grounds for the talk of the city's poverty. They expect to find counted as bonded indebtedness in the statement to be issued by the Controller's experts the full cost of every improvement projected by Mayor Strong, whether work was begun on it or not. In that way it will be easy to make up $20,000,000, and the sum could be increased by counting in the new Concourse, several small parks, and like plans which were approved but for which contracts were not awarded. In that manner bonds which in the regular course would not be issued for several years can be classed as part of the city debt.

If the statement can be sufficiently strong to bear the scrutiny of the courts it will be made, it is said, the pretext for breaking the contracts given out by the last administration, and thus making an opportunity for the Tammany contractors to get the inside track when the contracts are advertised again, after the next assessment shall have raised valuations sufficiently to extinguish what will, with the contracts abrogated, be left of the debt in excess of the Constitutional limit.

Extra Allowance for Services.

Justice Werner, in Supreme Court, Special Term, yesterday granted an extra allowance of $7,500 each to City Court Justice Edward F. O'Dwyer, Register Isaac Fromme, and Benjamin Perkins in addition to taxable fees allowed by statute for their services as Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment to acquire title to Edgecombe Road from One Hundred and Fifty-fifth Street to Tenth Avenue, opposite One Hundred and Seventieth Street. The services for which the allowance is made are stated to have extended over a period of nearly four years, and the Commissioners have held 295 meetings, not including inspections of lands and buildings. There were sixty-four parcels of property taken, and the total of pieces assessed for benefit were 1,245. The total amount of awards was $468,642.

No Writ for ex-Coroner Tuthill.

Justice Cohen, in the Supreme Court, yesterday denied the application of ex-Coroner Tuthill for a writ of mandamus directing the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to appropriate a sum for the payment of his salary and that of his subordinates, holding that Dr. Tuthill had an adequate remedy at law.

LEGAL NOTES.

POWER OF REMOVAL UNDER CHARTER.—Justice Freedman, in Supreme Court, Special Term, yesterday, denied the application of Frank K. Bowers for a mandamus to compel William Dalton, Commissioner of Water Supply, to reinstate him as foreman of Company 6, Department of Water Supply. Bowers, who was appointed foreman of repairs under the Chief Engineer of the Croton Aqueduct Department in May, 1896, at $5 a day and $2.25 a day for a horse and wagon, was assigned to the same position in the Department of Water Supply, as constituted by the new charter. He was discharged on the 4th of last January, without charges being preferred and without a hearing. The difficulty with the contention of Bowers, that his removal was illegal because made without cause, and not for the purpose of abolishing an unnecessary position, was, Justice Freedman said, that the provision in that respect applied only to employes who before the consolidation could be removed only for cause. At the time of the removal of Bowers authority was conferred upon the head of every department and every other officer having power to appoint, to remove at pleasure every subordinate appointed or employed whose term of employment was not specially protected by some statutory provision. Inasmuch as he did not stand protected by some special provision or rule of law, it was competent for the Commissioner of Water Supply to remove him without any cause whatever and without abolishing the position held by him as an unnecessary one, as he was not an honorably discharged soldier or sailor of the war of the rebellion, or an honorably discharged fireman, or regular clerk or head of any bureau in any department of the municipality. Any subsequent change in the law could not be considered.

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WHEN A BICYCLE IS NOT AN ARTICLE OF NECESSITY.—Mary Rice, nearly two years ago, she being then seventeen years old, and employed as a servant in a family in Syracuse, purchased a bicycle from William A. Butler for $45, of which she paid $15 down, and agreed to pay the remainder in weekly installments of $1.25, the title to the wheel to remain in the vendor until the purchase price should be fully paid, with the right to take and sell the machine in case it was not kept in good repair, or in case the stipulated weekly payments were not made. After having had the wheel three months the girl returned it, asserting that she had been defrauded, and demanded the repayment of $26.25, the total aggregate of her payments. Mr. Butler took the wheel, but refused to return the money, asserting that the use of the wheel was worth more than the sum paid, and that it had been damaged by use to the extent of $15. The girl's suit, by guardian, against Butler in the Municipal Court of Syracuse to recover this money was dismissed, and the judgment was affirmed by the County Court, but the Fourth Appellate Division directed a reversal. Justice Follett, giving the opinion, held that a bicycle was not an article of necessity for a girl of that age, who was working as a servant, and living with her employer, and she might rescind the conditional executory contract for its sale and recover the payments she had made without any deduction being made for the use of the machine, or for damages which had been occasioned to it by such use. Justice Adams gave a dissenting opinion, in which Justice Ward concurred, saying the real question was whether the plaintiff could avail herself of her infancy to perpetrate a wrong upon the defendant. "There is one principle," Justice Adams said, "especially applicable to the facts of this case, which has received very general recognition, and which, as stated by so eminent an authority as Chancellor Kent, is this: 'If an infant pays money on his contract and enjoys the benefit of it, and then avoids it when he comes of age, he cannot recover back the consideration paid.'"

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PROOF OF GOOD CHARACTER IN SLANDER SUIT.—The judgment obtained by Ida L. White, on a verdict for $2,500, in her suit in Monroe County to recover damages from Thomas W. Newcomb for an alleged slander, uttered on two occasions, has been reversed by the Fourth Appellate Division because of the improper admission of testimony on the part of the plaintiff, and because the verdict was for excessive damages. The plaintiff was an unmarried woman, doing business in Rochester in the manufacture of infants' shoes. The defendant was in the same business, and she had worked for him at first, but finally decided to go into business herself. Difficulties arose, and defendant became angry at her, charged her with stealing his lasts and patterns, and with taking a list of his customers, and finally charged her with unchastity. No evidence was given to show the truth of these charges, while a number of good witnesses testified to plaintiff's good character and behavior. Justice Follett, giving the opinion of the Appellate Division, held that when, in an action for slander imputing unchastity to an unmarried female, an issue was raised as to the character of the plaintiff, she may prove, as part of her case, that by the speech of people, her reputation is good. Justice Ward, in a dissenting opinion, said he doubted whether a case could be found in the books where a verdict of this size in such a case of assault upon a woman's chastity and honor, had been disturbed.

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UNEQUAL ASSESSMENT AGAINST RAILROAD.—The New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company was assessed at $356,400 upon its 108 acres of realty in the town of Schuyler, Herkimer County, in 1897. Complaint was made before Arthur Budlong and others, the Assessors, last August, that the assessment was unequal, and made at a higher proportionate valuation than was placed on the other property assessed upon the same roll, and a reduction which was asked was refused. Then the company petitioned to the Supreme Court, under the tax law of 1896, for a writ of certiorari to review the alleged erroneous assessment, stating that the valuation placed by the Assessors upon the relator's property was 95 per cent. of its full value, while the valuation placed upon all other property in the town was only 50 per cent. of its full value. The Fourth Appellate Division has reversed an order of the Special Term, which dismissed the writ because it did not specify the instances in which the alleged inequality existed, and its extent. The Court held, by Justice Follett, that the facts stated, if true, entitled the relator to relief, and that where the allegations of the petition and writ were indefinite, the remedy of the defendant was to move, before filing their return, to have them made more definite and certain.

THE CITY WORKS SCANDAL

F. Milne, a Minor Member of the Alleged Ring, Pleads Guilty to the Indictments Against Him.

HE SAYS HE OBEYED ORDERS

When Told by His Superiors to "O K" Bills He Did So—His Counsel Says He Was a Scapegoat.

One of the City Works ring in Brooklyn pleaded guilty yesterday. He was one of the minor members, but his course has spread panic among the other members of the ring. The question which every one was asking yesterday was "Who next?"

Frederick Milne, who under the Wurster administration was an Inspector in the Water Purveyor's office, appeared in the County Court yesterday immediately after the impaneling of the April Grand Jury, which is to investigate the pond-cleaning scandal and probably many others. He was accompanied by District Attorney Marean, Chief Clerk Walkley, Assistant District Attorney Clarke, and Mirabeau L. Towns, his lawyer. Judge Bird asked the District Attorney what his business was, and Mr. Clarke called Milne to the bar.

"If your Honor please," said Mr. Towns, "in behalf of Mr. Milne I plead guilty to a misdemeanor in willfully omitting and neglecting his duty not to consent or connive at the audit of a bill mentioned in the indictment, and to each indictment I submit this plea. I wish to say in his behalf that he has made this plea without any understanding with any one and without any hope of reward or mitigation of punishment. I might urge that he is a young man with a family, inexperienced in resisting the wiles and allurements of dishonest people, but I make my request for mercy only on the ground that he has taken the earliest opportunity to make full reparation, so far as he can.

Ready to Testify When Wanted.

"His plea must have a great moral effect upon those who stand accused of similar offenses, and is a powerful aid to the District Attorney's office and the administration of justice. What he did was not as an engineer, but as a mere Inspector. The bills which he passed for audit had been previously sent to the Auditor without his signature, and he only signed them after he was told to do so by his superiors. Mr. Milne will remain here, ready to testify on any and all occasions when he may be called upon."

"Do you know what this plea means?" said Judge Hurd, gravely, to the young prisoner. "Do you know that the penalty is one year's imprisonment or a fine of $500?"

"I do," said Milne.

"I ask your Honor to impose the lightest sentence possible," said Mr. Towns.

Judge Hurd said he would announce his decision on Wednesday. Mr. Milne refused to talk to reporters, and Assistant District Attorney Clarke would only say: "Conscience is making witnesses." But Mr. Towns made the following statement:

"When I investigated this matter I became satisfied that the principals in the crime were trying to make this young man a scapegoat. They wanted to saddle him with the responsibility, pleading that they would not have done these things but for his 'O. K.' I did not wish this young and inexperienced man to become a scapegoat for craftier men. There was but one course, and he has followed it."

A Carefully Arranged Scheme.

Mr. Towns also made the surprising statement that Milne placed his "O. K." on the bills while intoxicated, and that he had been deliberately made drunk for the purpose. "If there was a scheme," he said, "the schemers, from the beginning, carefully arranged matters so that in case of discovery the subordinates would bear the blame. I have most carefully investigated this matter, and I know what I am talking about."

There are three indictments against Milne. It is already rumored that another of the ring is wavering. No one knows what will happen next, and the fact that one man was likely to break down was evidently suspected, for a number of politicians were in the courtroom before Milne entered, all wearing an air of expectancy.

The April Grand Jury, sworn in yesterday, will have before it matters of as grave importance as those which were disposed of by its predecessor. It is made up of intelligent and substantial citizens, and consists mainly of merchants and real estate men. There are two brokers and an artist. The foreman is James P. Heffernan, a manufacturer, of 185 Madison Street. The first business before this jury will probably be Michael J. Daly's pond-cleaning contracts and his relations with City Works Commissioner Willis.

RAPID TRANSIT AFFAIRS.

Charles Stewart Smith Is Expected on Thursday, and Progress Is Then Hoped For.

The Board of Rapid Transit Commissioners will meet Thursday afternoon, when it is expected that Charles Stewart Smith, whose absence abroad has made the board dependent upon the willingness of the Mayor or the Controller to attend and take part in its meetings, will be present. The Controller, who has attended several of the meetings of the board and has heretofore declined to vote on the proposed franchises to the Manhattan Railway Company, on the ground that he was not sufficiently familiar with their scope to act intelligently, may be ready by Thursday to express himself. At any rate, with the return of Mr. Smith, it is not thought that there will be much further delay in disposing of the Manhattan franchises and clearing the way for action with regard to the underground road.

The draft of a form of contract for building, equipping, and operating this road was submitted last week to the Corporation Counsel, with a request that he examine and approve it as speedily as possible, and it is hoped to hear from him at this week's meeting. The next step of the board, after the approval of this form of contract, will be the preparation of the advertisement for bidders.

Regarding a rumor that the Metropolitan Street Railway Company would again appear as a bidder for the contract to build the underground road, Secretary Delafield said yesterday that the Metropolitan Company had given no notice of such an intention and that he knew of no reason to expect to hear from the company at this time.

TROLLEY LINEMAN KILLED.

Was Struck by an Engine of the Brooklyn Elevated Road.

A fatal accident occurred yesterday on the Brooklyn Elevated Railroad, at the corner of Adams and Concord Streets. Thomas Sweeney, a trolley lineman of the Nassau Road, who was repairing the trolley feed wires, and had his head above the elevated railroad ties, was struck by a train and killed. Sweeney's death seems to have been the result of his interest in his work. He had been warned repeatedly by his fellow-workmen, but did not heed them.

At 11:30 A. M., Sweeney was sitting with his head just above the ties. He was pulling a feed wire which was fastened to a cleat to the iron work of the sub-structure. William McEvoy was behind him, hauling on the same rope. Engine No. 100, going from the Brooklyn Bridge to Bay Ridge, was coming along the tracks, and McEvoy saw it and shouted "Look out!" At the same time he ducked his head and dropped below the track, but Sweeney was so much interested in his work that he apparently did not hear the cry nor the train. His back was turned to the oncoming engine. The next moment the engine struck him on the left side of the head. He hung there, dying, for two minutes, before his horrified associates could release him.

Sweeney came to Brooklyn from Chicago ten days ago, and had recently buried his wife and daughter. His position with the Nassau Company was secured on Friday last. He leaves a young daughter.

The engineer, Frank G. Isenberg, was entirely ignorant that he had killed a man until arrested at Bay Ridge. When he learned the news he was utterly prostrated. He was held at the Adams Street Court.

METHODISTS IN SESSION.

The New York Conference Continues Its Ninety-ninth Session at the Metropolitan Temple.

The New York Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church continued its ninety-ninth session yesterday morning at the Metropolitan Temple. Bishop John F. Hurst presided. The Inquiry Committee reported favorably upon the following young men for admission on probation into the conference: George W. Grinton, George A. MacDonald, Colin T. Cooper, Herbert Hazzard, John H. Windeler, George W. Rice, W. F. Attarson, R. B. Coons, F. C. Harding, John P. Taylor, W. B. Tower, U. G. Warren, and G. M. Cranston.

E. S. Osbon, R. M. Travis, and J. S. McLean were elected to fill vacancies on the Board of Trustees of the conference. It was voted to request the Board of Bishops to assign Bishop McCabe to preside at the conference to be held next year at Newburg.

The Committee on Sabbath Observance recommended the following expression, which was adopted:

Resolved, That this conference earnestly recommends that each church within its borders, at some regular service, either on the Sabbath or at a midweek meeting in the succeeding month of May, shall consider the vital question of Sabbath observance, and the work of the American Sabbath Union, and that an offering be made, the proceedings to be sent to the Treasurer of the American Sabbath Union, Col. A. S. Bacon, 84 Wall Street.

Among the speakers of the morning was the Rev. Dr. Bradford P. Raymond, President of Wesleyan University. Dr. Raymond urged the higher education of theological students to arm them against the scholarly skeptical criticism of the day.

A memorial service for deceased members of the conference was conducted by the Rev. Dr. A. K. Sanford, Superintendent of the Five Points Mission.

In the evening the Metropolitan Temple was crowded with Methodists observing the twenty-first anniversary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

The assignments of the ministers will be announced to-day.

New York East Conference.

The New York East Conference was continued yesterday in the Janes Methodist Episcopal Church, Brooklyn. The Rev. Dr. George L. Thompson moved that the Committee on Conference Boundaries be instructed to oppose any disturbance of the territorial divisions of the New York East Conference, but this motion was tabled. The Rev. Dr. A. J. Palmer, Corresponding Secretary of the Missionary Society, announced that the society's debt was at a lower point than at any time since 1892, and was sure to be wiped out.

DR. BRIGGS TO MAKE A CHANGE.

He Is to be Ordained as Deacon in the Priesthood of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

The Rev. Dr. Charles A. Briggs, Professor of Biblical Theology at Union Seminary, Park Avenue and Sixty-ninth Street, has intimated to Bishop Potter of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of New York his desire to be ordained a Deacon in the priesthood of that communion, and it is said that this will be done at the Trinity ordinations in June. Prof. Briggs has also sent his resignation to the Stated Clerk of the New York Presbytery, of which body he is now a member in regular standing, although formally suspended from exercising the functions of a Presbyterian minister.

The fact that Prof. Briggs has once been ordained as a Presbyterian will not be taken account of by the Episcopal Church, which will require him to begin as if he were a layman, namely to be ordained a Deacon, and remain such for one year before being advanced to the priesthood.

Dr. Briggs was suspended by the Presbyterian General Assembly of 1893, which met in Washington, upon the report of a committee which declared that "Charles A. Briggs has uttered, taught, and propagated views, doctrines, and teachings contrary to Scripture, to the Westminster Confession, and his own ordination vows." The General Assembly suspended Dr. Briggs "until such time as he shall give satisfactory evidence of repentance."

Efforts have been made to get this suspension removed, the leader in the effort being the Rev. Dr. Hiram C. Haydn of the First Church, Cleveland. Had not Prof. Briggs taken this present course, it is probable that the matter of removing the suspension would have come up in the approaching General Assembly next month.

THE CASE OF DR. CLEAVELAND.

A New Indictment Substituted for the First One Which Was Found Against Him.

It came to light yesterday that a new indictment superseding the first against Dr. Trumbull W. Cleaveland, charged with manslaughter, was found by the Grand Jury last Thursday. The new indictment charges the same offense as did the first, but is worded differently. It was found for the reason that the first indictment was defective, or supposed to be, owing to an oversight on the part of the District Attorney's office. When making his motion to quash the first indictment a few days ago, Bartow S. Weeks called attention to the fact that the indictment did not bear the signatures of either the druggist who compounded the medicine given to the child whom the defendant is accused of killing, or of the child's father, James L. Carhart, who carried the medicine from the drug store. Assistant District Attorney Townsend, who has charge of the case, profited by Mr. Weeks's statement, and caused the omission of the names to be rectified. In what other particulars the new indictment differs from the first could not be learned yesterday for the reason that the contents of the former were kept secret.

Mrs. James L. Carhart said yesterday to a reporter that Bessie Pike, the woman who nursed Mrs. Carhart's child while it was ill, had destroyed important records in the case. This statement the woman denies.

"The woman was sent to my house by Dr. Cleaveland," said Mrs. Carhart, "and, although I did not want her, he insisted on her staying. She promised that she would testify against Dr. Cleaveland, but since his arrest she has been employed by him at his home. Now she is going to Europe, so I don't suppose she will testify at all."

The Pike woman made a deposition yesterday to the effect that she was going to Europe, but would be back by May 30. As the case will not be placed on trial until after that date, the District Attorney's office and the defendant's counsel decided to let her go.

MRS. CARRINGTON IMPROVING.

Her Physicians Believe She Will Recover—To Arraign Hill To-day.

Mrs. Elizabeth Carrington of 158 Lawrence Street, Brooklyn, who was shot by her husband, Albert B. Carrington, on Saturday night, was much improved yesterday, and it was said at the Homeopathic Hospital that she would probably recover. When she was first brought to the hospital it was thought she would die.

William P. Byrnes, who was shot in the neck, will be able to leave the hospital in a day or two. Charles Hill, who is now in Raymond Street Jail, will be arraigned in the Adams Street Police Court to-day on a charge of homicide.

CHURCHILL IS IN CHARLESTON.

The ex-Consul's Letter to His Wife Shows Mental Incompetency.

It was definitely made known yesterday that William Churchill, the missing ex-United States Consul General at Samoa, who left his home at 168 South Ninth Street, Brooklyn, a week ago, has been located at Charleston, S. C. Mrs. Churchill on Saturday received a letter from her husband and showed it to the police of the Clymer Street Station, to whom the disappearance was reported.

Mrs. Churchill first denied having received the letter, but admitted yesterday that she received it on Saturday, and that at the request of friends she kept it a secret. Churchill wrote that he was compelled to take flight, as the people whose secret he possessed were hounding him. The tenor of the letter seemed to show that his mind is dranged.

Two Columbia Classes Censured.

At a meeting of the University Council of Columbia University, a few days ago, President Low's attention was called to the fact that students of the freshman and sophomore classes had been attracting attention by riotous behavior on the street. Accordingly every member of the two classes received yesterday a letter from President Low appealing to them to take more care to preserve the good name of the university.

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OVATION TO MRS. BOOTH

Big Demonstration at Anniversary Gathering of the Volunteers of America.

GLAD TO RESUME HER WORK

Commander Ballington Booth Receives Over $1,000 on Appeal for Contributions—Great Enthusiasm Evoked by Patriotic Songs.

The anniversary gathering of the Volunteers of America at Carnegie Music Hall last night took on something of the nature of a jubilee meeting, because of the first reappearance there in public beside Commander Ballington Booth of Mrs. Booth since she was stricken down by sickness last December. The meeting was also marked by an exhibition of patriotic feeling and of an apparent willingness to "have a go" at the Spaniard as well as at the devil.

The hall was crowded, down stairs and up, and many of the boxes were occupied. The Rev. Dr. Charles H. Parkhurst, the Rev. Dr. W. R. Huntington, Charles D. Stickney, S. Otis Livingston, and Dr. Thompson, with ladies, were among the box occupants. The stage picture was an effective, and at times a most animated one. In the centre were a number of Sunday school girls in white, with sashes of red, white, and blue, while behind them were the Hope Hall boys, former inmates of Auburn, Clinton, and Sing Sing Prisons. To the right were the headquarters band and members of the volunteers in uniform. The left of the stage was occupied by friends and patrons of the Volunteers. In front seats sat Commander and Mrs. Ballington Booth with their officers, among whom were Col. and Mrs. J. W. Merrill, Col. and Mrs. Walton, Col. and Mrs. Hartwright, Col. Robert Gardner, Lieut. Col. Fred Gardner, Col. Pattie Watkins, Major Hattie McFadden, Lieut. Col. Fred Lindsay, and Major John J. Habecker of Philadelphia.

The band, pending the coming of Commander and Mrs. Booth, played patriotic airs and aroused great enthusiasm, which culminated in a great outbreak of cheering and waving of handkerchiefs when Col. Fred Gardner came to the front with a flag and the band struck up "The Star-Spangled Banner." Half a dozen National flags and a number of Volunteer banners were waved by the children and the Hope Hall boys on the stage. The demonstration continued while "Yankee Doodle" and "John Brown's Body" were played, the latter causing renewed enthusiasm.

Mrs. Booth, when she ascended the platform with her husband, received a welcome so hearty and prolonged as to cause her pale face to flush with pleasure and to become wreathed in smiles. She still showed traces of her illness and did not sit with her usual erect bearing, but as one who is yet weak after illness. Commander Booth, after a brief prayer, asked all in the house to rise and join in singing "America," which they did with good will. After prayer by Col. Robert Gardner, and a song, Commander Booth read messages of regret and good will from the Governor of New Jersey, William E. Dodge, and John Wanamaker.

He then made a short address. He began by saying: "This meeting should be Mrs. Booth's meeting," and that sentiment was so liberally cheered that he took another tack and said: "I'll put you out if you don't behave yourselves." Commander Booth expressed his gratitude to God at his wife's presence with them once more, and at the steady and permanent advance of the Volunteers.

Commander Booth made an appeal for funds to carry on the work of the Volunteers. While efforts were being made by individual members of the Volunteers among the audience, Col. Habecker told stories and made appeals from the stage. He said that the feeling in Philadelphia about the threatened war with Spain was that if war comes "we'll knock them into smithereens." More than $1,000 was raised.

Mrs. Booth was the last speaker. Her voice gave evidence of her physical weakness, but she courageously delivered her message. She said she felt that it was not as easy for her to speak as usual, and asked her auditors to fill in much of what she would like to say. She expressed her joy and thankfulness that once more she was able to go out and take up the work she loves. Her address was an appeal for sympathy for the inmates of prisons and a statement of the good work done among them. She said that more than 500 of the inmates of Joliet State Prison are members of the Volunteers' Prison League.

The ceremonies were concluded by the presentation to Mrs. Booth for these prisoners of a banner, which she will shortly carry to them in person.

EAST SIDE KINDERGARTENS.

The Association Fears a Deficit and Asks for Contributions.

The appreciation of the down-town east side kindergartens was appropriately shown a couple of days ago by a mother, who presented to the teachers of one of the kindergartens a beautiful oxalis or flowering sorrel in full bloom, which she had carefully raised all Winter. The kindergarten, she said, had made a great change in her little boy. It had made him quiet and orderly, even when at play at home, and the other kindergarten children who played with him were equally orderly, and not noisy and rough like other children.

The work of the New York Kindergarten Association, which conducts these institutions, has done much of good, but the means within its reach are inadequate for the enormous work before it. There are about 50,000 young children in the city that need such tuition, and the association, with its fifteen kindergartens, can take charge of only 500. There is difficulty in securing funds to keep up even that work, and for the first time in its history the association is threatened with a deficit. Contributions to aid the work are earnestly solicited, and can be sent to the Treasurer, Simeon Kruk, 27 Pine Street.

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C. F. BEACH, JR., IS IN LONDON.

When He Announced that He Would Sail from Here, He Went from Philadelphia.

It is definitely known that Charles F. Beach, Jr., whose marital troubles have been aired in the courts of Oklahoma and this city, and against whom an order of arrest, signed by Justice Daly of the Supreme Court, now stands, is in London. A letter received yesterday by a lawyer in this city shows that Mr. Beach has established himself in London and intends to remain there. Part of the letter is as follows:

7 and 8 Great Westminister Street,
London, England.
Charles F. Beach, Jr.,
Attorney and Counselor at Law of the United States. Lately 33 Wall Street, New York.
Telegraphic address, Ignosco, London.

I sailed on the day I wanted to, and on the ship I wanted to, and exactly as I wanted to, and I have had a little fun in making fools of the old woman and her youthful attorney. Did the idiot think I would let him catch me when I took pains to announce my departure? * * * Business is coming in so nicely that I wonder why I ever thought of leaving London, and the shadow of the Book. I shall not make the mistake again.

Mrs. Beach is so happy here, and so discontented in New York, and my work here is so pleasant, that we are fully determined to settle in England and give no thought to the matter of returning to America. As we now feel about it, we are determined to make our permanent home in London, and I already making plans to take chambers in the Inner Temple, so that I may eventually come to the English bar. * * *

I do not give a penny for anything my ex-wife can do, nor would I pay 10 cents in American money for anything that she can concede or give to me. In England my present marriage is perfectly good. Here I shall make my home. * * *

The Spanish war scare and the tomfoolery of the hayseed politicians in America is disgusting people here, and we can't do any serious business until that folly abates.

CHARLES F. BEACH, Jr.

The first part of Mr. Beach's letter refers to the fact that on Feb. 18 last he wrote a letter from the Continental Hotel, in Philadelphia, stating that he would sail for Europe on the Normandie on the following day and asking that the announcement be made in the newspapers. As the order of arrest was in force then, the steamers were watched, but without result, and on the same day Mr. Beach sailed from Philadelphia.

Beach secured an absolute divorce in Oklahoma from Anne M. Beach, and immediately afterward married Mrs. Driscoll of New Orleans, in Illinois. She had only a short time before secured a divorce from her husband. Mrs. Anne Beach appealed, and the decree against her was set aside. This made the marriage of Mrs. Beach No. 2 void, but as the law of Illinois does not hold a person for bigamy if a decree in any court is pending at the time of the marriage, and cannot be made retroactive, Beach is safe from any prosecution on that score.

Charles Lex Brooke got an order of arrest for Beach in December last, which required him to give $2,500 security to meet any alimony awarded against him for his first wife in an action for limited divorce which she brought. Since the granting of the order Beach has kept out of the jurisdiction of the court.

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